



NCCU News

The North Carolina Central University Athletic Hall of Fame will add new members at its annual Awards Banquet at 7:30 p. m., Saturday, April 14, in NCCU's W. G. Pearson Cafeteria.

Inductees for 1990 are Russell Evans "Russ" Blunt of Durham, inducted as a Contributor to NCCU Athletics; Willie Junior "Pete" Hayes of Durham, Henry Jay Kirksey of Jackson, Mississippi, and George Ernest Wallace, Jr., of Hampton, Va., all honored in the category of Football. Alex. M. Rivera, Jr., North Carolina Central University's Director of Athletic Relations and coordinator of the Athletic Hall of Fame program, at the 1990 Hall of Fame Banquet will be dedicated to the memory of late Lee Calhoun, NCCU's first Olympic gold medal winner, who died on Feb. 21, 1989, at the age of 56.

Calhoun set an Olympic record when he won the 110-meter high hurdles in Melbourne in 1956. He subsequently became the first man ever to win back-to-back gold medals in that event when he again won a photo finish victory in Rome.

Following are biographies of the four Hall of Fame inductees.

RUSSELL EVANS BLUNT

Russell Evans "Russ" Blunt of Durham says he has been associated with NCCU since he competed against the Eagles as a St. Paul's College athlete in the late 1920s. He also competed for St. Augustine's College, where he received his bachelor's degree in 1936, and he coached against the Eagles as St. Augustine's head football and track coach between 1946 and 1950. He was Saint Paul's College's head football and track coach from 1950 to 1953. He served as North Carolina College's assistant football coach and head track coach in 1953-54. He has also coached in Louisiana and Florida.

As a coach at Durham's Hillside High, Coach Blunt encouraged his runners and runners to attend the neighboring institution, NCCU. One of his reports, the Eagle football squad included 12 Hillside graduates at the time.

After 60-plus years of association with NCCU, Coach Blunt freely admits as close a relationship with his Durham neighbor as with his own mother. He says he knows all the coaches, all of the physical education faculty, and most of the former athletes.

Coach Blunt was a Hillside Coach from 1955 to 1973, serving as head coach, junior varsity football coach, and for seven years basketball coach. He turned 65 in 1973, and left Hillside and the Durham City schools to serve for six years as assistant track coach at Southern High School in the Durham County system. In 1979 he returned to Hillside to be the Head Cross-Country Coach, and in 1981 he again became Hillside's Head Track Coach. Coach Blunt, who will celebrate his 82nd birthday on April 21, still holds the Track position at Hillside.

As a coach, Coach Blunt has been associated with outstanding championship teams at four schools: Southern University; North Carolina College; Florida Memorial College; and Hillside High School, where his team won the state championship in 1984. Hillside's football players were runners-up for the State Championship in 1959 and 1960, and the Hillside Track Team was State runner-up in 1986.

Coach Blunt is also assistant coach of the Durham Striders Track Club. He is a member of the Andover, Massachusetts, High School Athletic Hall of Fame and the North Carolina High School Athletic Association Hall of

WILLIE JUNIOR "PETE" HAYES

Willie Junior "Pete" Hayes of Durham was named North Carolina College's Best All-Purpose Back in 1955-56, its Most Improved Back during those same years, and its Best Offensive Back in 1958. He was named to the Second Team All-CIAA in 1958-1959. He was a four-year letterman with a certificate of merit for four years with the Eagles.

Mr. Hayes played baseball and boxed for the United States Air Force, serving from 1951 to 1955, before coming to North Carolina College, where he received his bachelor of science degree in 1960. After leaving NCC, he signed with the Boston NFL Football Team, but was cut from the roster during training camp. He played for two years (1960-62) with the Baltimore Orioles Baseball organization.

Mr. Hayes is currently employed by the Durham Department of Parks and Recreation as director of the Weaver Street Center.

Mr. Hayes is a member of the North Carolina Parks and Recreation Society, and a member of Division II of the Municipal Recreation Society. He holds certificates of merit for his leadership, supervisory, and administrative achievements in recreation and for his work with the handicapped. He is a member of the Antipoverty Organization for Better Health, the Salvation Army Boys Club, the Agricultural Extension Agency for Teens, the Police Athletic League, the 4-H Club, the Children's Aid Society, the Tee-Birds Golf Club, and the Recreation Division of the American Alliance for Health, Physical Education, Recreation and Dance.

HENRY JAY KIRKSEY

Henry Jay Kirksey of Jackson, Mississippi, was an outstanding end for the Eagles in 1940-41, and subsequently went into the Army, where he served for four and a half years in World War II's Pacific Theater, serving in the Philippines and Japan, and rising in rank from Private in the Medical Corps to Major in the Field Artillery. Mr. Kirksey's teammate and nominator, John E. Brown, remembers riding to North Carolina College from Mississippi with Mr. Kirksey and three other athletes in a car driven by Coach William Burghardt. Mr. Kirksey returned to North Carolina College after his military service, graduating with honors in economics in 1947.

Mr. Kirksey has been active in political life in his native state of Mississippi. He was a journalist for the Mississippi Teachers Association from 1961 to 1963, editor of the Mississippi Free Press in 1964-65, and printer for Mississippi Civil Rights organizations and movements from 1963 to 1972. He is a certified expert in the Federal courts in cases involving election districts, with experience in cartography, demography, and planning. Between 1963 and 1989, he has been active in election district litigation, acting as the plaintiff in a number of suits related to Congressional redistricting, city and municipal elections, school districts, judicial elections, and the application of the constitution and the U. S. Voting Rights Act. He served two terms in the Mississippi State Senate, from 1980 to 1988, as the only black member of that body. He has also been a candidate for Governor of Mississippi, receiving threats to his life during that campaign. He is currently president of the Henry J. Kirksey Foundation for Equity and Justice in Jackson, Mississippi.

GEORGE ERNEST WALLACE, JR.

George Ernest Wallace, Jr., of Hampton, Va., was the team-leading pass receiver for the Eagles in 1958 and 1959. He had 17 receptions and averaged 17 yards per reception in 1958, and caught nine passes for an average of 12 yards per reception in 1959. He made an 85-yard kick-off return in 1958, and was named to the All-CIAA Football first team in 1958 and to the first team of the 1958 All-CIAA Academic Team in the same year.

Mr. Wallace received his Bachelor of Science in Commerce degree in accounting in 1958, and has subsequently earned his Master of Public Administration degree from Golden Gate University in San Francisco. He is Assistant City Manager for Strategic Planning and Financial Management for the City of Hampton, Va., and has also been Hampton's Assistant City Manager for Community Service. He began his career in public administration in the War on Poverty of the 1960s, directing manpower training programs in Newport News and Norfolk, Va. He has also been employed as a substitute teacher, as an assistant hospital administrator, and as an administration specialist with the United States Department of

University Band To Give Free Outdoor Concert

The North Carolina Central University Band will present a free outdoor concert at 2 p. m., Saturday, April 7, in the Annie Day Shepard Bowl, the lawn in the center of the NCCU campus behind the Hoey Administration Building. The concert will be presented during NCCU's Parents' Weekend. The band is directed by Xavier Cason, Bandmaster. Admission is free.

Touring Choir And Jazz Band To Give Concert

The North Carolina Central University Concert and Touring Choirs, under the direction of Dr. Charles H. Gilchrist, and the NCCU Jazz Band, led by Ira Wiggins, appear together in a free concert at 4 p. m., Sunday, April 22, in North Carolina Central University's B. N. Duke Auditorium.

First Annual NCCU Jazz Festival Set

A concert by the Donald Brown Quintet at 8 p. m., Saturday, March 31, in B. N. Duke Auditorium, will be the feature event of what North Carolina Central University is billing as the First Annual NCCU Jazz Festival.

Donald Brown, the pianist and leader of the Quintet, has performed with Art Blakey, Wynton Marsalis, Milt Jackson, Slide Hampton, Dianne Reeves, and other well-known jazz performers.

The Festival begins at noon, Saturday, March 31, in NCCU's B. N. Duke Auditorium. The afternoon will be devoted to performances by bands from four historically black colleges and universities: NCCU, Shaw University, Saint Augustine's College, and Tennessee State University.

Members of the Donald Brown Quintet will also conduct a jazz clinic Saturday afternoon.

Both the Saturday night concert and the Saturday afternoon college band concerts are open to the general public at no cost.

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Agriculture. He has received honors as the Public Administrator of the Year for his area of Virginia and for the State of Virginia, and has served as a member of the National Council of the American Society for Public Administration. He is a member of the National Forum of Black Public Administrators, the Virginia Council on Social Welfare, the Conference of Minority Public Administrators, the American Society for Public Administration, the International City Managers Association, and the Government Finance Officers Association. He is a life member of the NAACP and as president of the Hampton Roads Boys Club is leading a drive for \$1,500,000 for renovation of two boys club facilities.

Tickets for the NCCU Athletic Hall of Fame Awards Banquet are available from Alex Rivera at 919/560-6341.

Dr. Dolores Spikes Speaks To Students

Dr. Dolores Spikes, President of the Southern University System in Louisiana and Chancellor of Southern University at Baton Rouge, was a Visiting Scholar at North Carolina Central University's School of Education Monday and Tuesday, March 12 and 13.

Dr. Spikes made presentations to the undergraduate students in the School of Education and to the School's faculty, with other selected faculty.

She also spoke Monday morning, March 12, to the annual Spring

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EAGLES CALENDAR

MARCH 31 (Saturday), 2 a. m. to 6 a. m., **Jam, The Palace**, sponsored by Gamma Beta chapter, Alpha Phi Alpha Fraternity. Tickets sold in advance at SGA Office, Alfonso Elder Student Union.

MARCH 31 (Saturday), 12 noon, **North Carolina Central University Jazz Festival**, performances by jazz bands from Saint Augustine's College, Shaw University, Tennessee State University, and North Carolina Central University, B. N. Duke Auditorium. Admission is free.

MARCH 31 (Saturday), 8 p. m., **North Carolina Central University Jazz Festival, concert by Donald Brown Quintet**, B. N. Duke Auditorium. Admission is free.

APRIL 1 (Sunday), 2 to 4 p. m., **Art Show, "Black Women Artists — North Carolina Connections,"** NCCU Art Museum. For information, 560-6211.

APRIL 1 (Sunday), 4 p. m., **Senior Recital, Angelique Bullard, soprano, Duane Montgomery, bass guitar**, Music Building Auditorium. Admission free.

APRIL 1 (Sunday), 5 p. m., **Honors Banquet for Howard Clement, Reginald K. Smith, Robert P. Smith**, sponsored by Gamma Beta Chapter, Alpha Phi Alpha Fraternity, Alfonso Elder Student Union. Tickets sold in advance at SGA office, Alfonso Elder Student Union.

APRIL 2-6 (Monday-Thursday), **Fall Semester and Summer School preregistration for all students.**

APRIL 3-6 (Tuesday to Friday), 9 a. m. to 5 p. m., **Art Show, "Black Women Artists — North Carolina Connections,"** NCCU Art Museum. Extended hours to 9 p. m. on Thursdays. For information, 560-6211.

APRIL 4 (Wednesday), 8:15 p. m., **Paint a Pretty Picture**, original musical, Dramatic Art Department, University Theatre, Farrison-Newton Communications Building. Tickets available at NCCU Ticket Office, R. L. McDougald Gymnasium, 10 a. m. - 6 p. m., Monday through Friday. Call 560-5170 for ticket information.

APRIL 5 (Thursday), 8:15 p. m., **Paint a Pretty Picture**, original musical, Dramatic Art Department, University Theatre, Farrison-Newton Communications Building. Tickets available at NCCU Ticket Office, R. L. McDougald Gymnasium, 10 a. m. - 6 p. m., Monday through Friday. Call 560-5170 for ticket information.

APRIL 6 (Friday), **Honors Convocation / Awards Day**, Speaker, Harvey Gantt, R. L. McDougald Gymnasium.

APRIL 6-8 (Friday-Sunday), **Parents Weekend.**

APRIL 6 (Friday), 8:15 p. m., **Paint a Pretty Picture**, original musical, Dramatic Art Department, University Theatre, Farrison-Newton Communications Building. Tickets available at NCCU Ticket Office, R. L. McDougald Gymnasium, 10 a. m. - 6 p. m., Monday through Friday. Call 560-5170 for ticket information.

APRIL 7 (Saturday), Sixth Charlemae Hill Rollins Colloquium, **"Searching for Self: The Black Experience in Children's Literature,"** sponsored by NCCU School of Library and Information Sciences. For information, 560-6485.

APRIL 7 (Saturday), 2 p. m., **Free Outdoor Concert, NCCU Band**, directed by Xavier Cason, Annie Day Shepard Bowl (behind Hoey Administration Building.)

APRIL 7 (Saturday), 3:15 p. m., **Paint a Pretty Picture**, original musical, Dramatic Art Department, University Theatre, Farrison-Newton Communications Building. Tickets available at NCCU Ticket Office, R. L. McDougald Gymnasium, 10 a. m. - 6 p. m., Monday through Friday. Call 560-5170 for ticket information.

APRIL 8 (Sunday), 2 to 4 p. m., **Last Day, Art Show, "Black Women Artists — North Carolina Connections,"** NCCU Art Museum. For information, 560-6211.

APRIL 8 (Sunday), 3:15 p. m., **Paint a Pretty Picture**, original musical, Dramatic Art Department, University Theatre, Farrison-Newton Communications Building. Tickets available at NCCU Ticket Office, R. L. McDougald Gymnasium, 10 a. m. - 6 p. m., Monday through Friday. Call 560-5170 for ticket information.

APRIL 8 (Sunday), 4 p. m., **Senior Recital, Anita Anglin, piano, Charles Hyman, baritone**, Music Building Auditorium. Admission free.

APRIL 13 (Friday), **Good Friday Holiday.** No Classes.

APRIL 13 - APRIL 15 (Friday-Sunday), **NCCU Athletic Hall of Fame Weekend.**

APRIL 14 (Saturday), 7 p. m., **NCCU Athletic Hall of Fame Banquet**, W. G. Pearson Cafeteria.

APRIL 16 (Monday), **Classes Resume.**

APRIL 18 (Wednesday), 11 a. m., **Board of Trustees of the Endowment Fund of NCCU**, 311 Hoey Administration Building.

APRIL 18 (Wednesday), 2 p. m., **Board of Trustees of North Carolina Central University**, Chancellor's Conference Room, William Jones Building.

APRIL 19-25 (Thursday-Wednesday), **Dead Week.** No extracurricular activities to be scheduled.

APRIL 20 (Friday), 2 p. m., **Faculty Senate meeting**, Whiting Criminal Justice Building.

APRIL 22 (Sunday), **Concert by NCCU Touring and Concert Choirs, NCCU Jazz Band**, B. N. Duke Auditorium. Admission is free.



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