

# A&T Theatre Group Qualifies For Performances AT JFKC

"It's like making the final four in the NCAA's Division I," was the way Dr. H. D. Flowers II, director of A&T's Richard B. Jarrison Players, describes the students recent success.

The North Carolina A&T State University theatre group's recent performance of Charles Fuller's "Zooman and the Sign" has been judged one of the best productions in the American College Theatre Festival and thus qualifies the group for two performances in the John F. Kennedy Center for the Performing Arts in Washington April 18-19.

Officials of the ACTF said that A&T is only the second historically black college to have one of its plays accepted for the Kennedy performance which concluded the national competition. This is the 15th year of the annual festival.

"I just never thought that we would go this far in the competition," said Dr. Flowers, who joined the A&T staff last August. "Everyone dreams of playing the Kennedy Center and the students just helped me to accomplish this dream."

"Zooman" is Dr. Flowers' first production at the university. He formerly was employed by Bowie State University in Maryland.

In the play Junious Leak and Frankie Day play the tormented father and mother, respectively. "Zooman" is played by Miller Lucky Jr.

Others in the cast are David Cook, Arnold Pinnix, Kathy L. Lewis, Daniel Wynne, Gregory Dixon and Jannie Jones. Keith Smith is stage manager. Technical director is Paul Thomason and costume designer is Donald Coffey. Tickets for the A&T production (\$8.50 each) may be secured at the Kennedy Center.

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students performs so well because they are hungry for theatre," Dr. Flowers projected. "They are all majors and they want theatre as a career."

"The Look of '83", which will feature fashion commentary, the latest fashions, entertainment and music will be held April 24, 3-5 p.m. at the Greenville Center at 1330 Spring Street.

The Children of the Sun, a choral group from the University of North Carolina at Charlotte will be featured. This is an extremely talented group of individuals. Others will also be on program.

You are invited to attend. Donation is only \$2 and monies will benefit the new church drive for the Salem Baptist Church. The captain is Vinnon S. Cathey. Pastor of Salem Baptist Church is Rev. Anthony L. Jinwright.

The women-children camping weekend, sponsored by the YWCA, is set for April 16-17, at Girl Scout Camp Occoneechee.

Fee is \$50 per couple. For more information call 525-5770 or 333-7553.

During the week of April 10-16 the more than 250,000 clinical laboratory professionals will be recognized. These individuals provide vital health services to the

public. Professional clinical laboratory personnel include medical technologists, laboratory technicians and assistants, bioanalysts, clinical chemists, microbiologists and pathologists.

Mark N. Lewis of 5322 Farm Pond Lane of Charlotte was recently elected governor of the North Carolina Student Legislature at the organization's annual convention in Raleigh.

Lewis is the first UNCC student to be elected to the top post.

The Garinger Wildcat Booster Club's Annual Barbe-que will be held Friday, April 8, at the school, 1000 Eastway Drive, from 11 a.m. until 8 p.m.

Carry-outs are available. Tickets are \$3.50 a plate or for three sandwiches.

Desserts will be available.

The future frightens only those who prefer living in the past.

I recently heard a disc jockey on WGIV ask his listeners "Do you think boyfriends and girlfriends should live together?" The majority said yes. One lady sited her own life saying that she lived with her husband before they were married and now they have three beautiful children.

This is such a touchy subject. If you take an opposing viewpoint to living with the opposite sex you run the risk of being accused of judging others.

There is nothing wrong with living with the opposite sex, it's what usually happens when you live with her or him that is a sin. And most of us don't have the will power or the desire not to commit that sin.

The main purpose of living with someone seems to be "...getting to know that person better." No relationship is ever going to be perfect. We are usually willing to accept the rose but not the thorns. When a flower blooms it usually has to feel the sting of a bee and so as our relationships bloom with the opposite sex, so we will have to feel the sting of adjusting to the other's faults and weaknesses.

Finding that special someone is not by inspection but by trusting of one's God and heart. If you have ever read "In His Steps," you may have already thought, "Would Jesus, if he lived today, live with a woman if he wasn't married to her?"

There is no judgement in these statements. They are

just thoughts conceived after reading the Bible and thinking over situations for the past 26 years. As the saying goes "I have skeletons in my closet also," but I just wanted to give another opinion on living with

a boyfriend or girlfriend. Not once during the time I listened to the radio station was God ever mentioned. If He comes first in a relationship there will be less doubt and more trust and love between the pair.

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