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A&T's Engineering



Former Charlotte Mayor Harvey Gantt is all smiles after being presented the annual McKinney award during the sixth annual banquet last week at Johnson C. Smith University. Presenting the award to Gantt is Eloise McKinney Johnson of San Francisco.

GREENSBORO, N.C. - A&T State University, which will celebrate 100 years of existence in 1991, has been cited as the largest producer of black engineers in the nation.

In a report recently released by an official of the National Science Foundation, A&T was credited with the graduation of 112 black engineers in 1988-89, 20 more than its closest competitor.

In announcing the report, Dr. Edward B. Ford, A&T chancellor, said, "This good news is significant for this historically great university. This kind of record can be achieved because of the world-class nature of our pro-

fessors, the quality of our laboratories and equipment, and the outstanding students which are attracted each year to the university."

Two years ago, A&T was listed as ranking seventh in the report. The National Science Foundation report shows that A&T has more than doubled its number of engineering graduates in the last three years, jumping from 55 in 1985-86 to 112 in 1988-89.

Facilities of the A&T School of engineering include the \$8.5 million Dr. Ronald McNair Building, named in honor of the late black astronaut, who graduated from A&T.

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Vivian Saluted At NCSU

North Carolina State University honored civil rights leader C.T. Vivian and six outstanding students at its eighth annual University-Community Brotherhood Dinner December 1 at McKimmon Center. NCSU Interim Chancellor and Mrs. Larry K. Monteith hosted the event.

The Brotherhood Dinner each year honors an African-American who has made an outstanding contribution to the nation and the world.

This year's honoree was Vivian, who is widely recognized as a pioneer in the modern civil

rights movement. He was a member of the executive staff of the Southern Christian Leadership Conference under the leadership of the late Dr. Martin Luther King.

Vivian worked shoulder to shoulder with King during the 1961 protests in Albany, Ga.; the 1963 demonstrations in Birmingham, Ala., and Washington, D.C.; and the 1963 civil rights campaigns in Danville, Va., and St. Augustine, Fla.

A minister and administrator, he is former dean of the Seminary without Walls at Shaw University.

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