



Greetings Fellow Alumni,

Happy New Year! I hope everyone had a wonderful holiday season and you are ready to join in our excitement of what 2018 will bring for our Alumni Association. Don't miss the article in this *Alumni Times* with information on opportunities to serve on our Board of Directors. We encourage you to join us and make it a personal goal this year to do more for and with your alma mater.

During the months of January and February of each year, we pause to remember five phenomenal alumni who all altered the course of American history. On January 26, 2018, the University will honor the life and legacy Dr. Ronald E. McNair. A celebration and memorial will be held at the Alumni Foundation Event Center on campus to pay homage to Dr. McNair, a world-renowned physicist and NASA astronaut.

On February 1, we will celebrate the bravery of four freshmen who marched to the downtown Greensboro Woolworth in 1960 and demanded the right to sit at a segregated lunch counter. As a result of their actions that day, Joseph McNeil, Franklin McCain, David Richmond, and Ezell Blair started the Sit-in Movement. Their extraordinary courage created a civil rights movement that spread quickly throughout the South, reshaping the moral conscience of this nation and the world. The 58th Sit-in Anniversary Breakfast Celebration will be Thursday, February 1, 2018 at 7 a.m. on campus with April Ryan, White House correspondent and CNN political analyst, serving as keynote speaker. Please visit www.ncat.edu for more information about both of these events.

Please join me in thanking Coach Rod Broadway, for seven exceptional history-making years as our head football coach. We wish him well as he retires and embarks on the next chapter of his extraordinary life.

The January 31 early bird deadline for the [N.C. A&T Aggie Alumni National Convention](#) is fast approaching. We want to see you June 6-10, in Atlanta so please register and commit to getting at least 5-10 fellow alums to do the same.

Sincerely,

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