Tuesday, March 15, 2005

7 - 8:30 PM Multipurpose Room

Co-Sponsored by Disability Services for Students
Reception will follow program

The AACC presents Dr. Patricia Bath, an ophthalmologist, and also the first African American woman doctor to receive a patent for a medical invention. Patricia Bath's patent (no. 4,744,360), a method for removing cataract lenses, transformed eye surgery, using a laser device making the procedure more accurate. Dr Bath's passionate dedication to the treatment and prevention of blindness led her to develop the Cataract Laserphaco Probe. The probe, patented in 1988, is designed to use the power of a laser to quickly and painlessly vaporize cataracts from patients' eyes, replacing the more common method of using a grinding, drill-like device to remove them.

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If you are a person with a disability and require any assistive devices, services, or other accommodations, please contact Toni Thorpe at least three days prior to the event at (919) 515-1451 during the normal business hours of 8 a.m. to 5 p.m. or via email at toni_thorpe@ncsu.edu to discuss accommodations.