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## Greenville notes the passing of Mr. George Garrett

A faithful, devoted husband to his wife, a loving father to his children and family, and a role model and inspiration to all who knew him. . . All appropriately descriptive phrases to use when referring to Mr. George Francis Garrett. Just as accurate are civil rights activist and humanitarian.

An avid baseball fan, Garrett played baseball with the Greenville all-stars. He later organized a little league that was headquartered at what is now the south Greenville recreation center. This was a means to remove our youths from the streets and place them in supervised, wholesome recreational

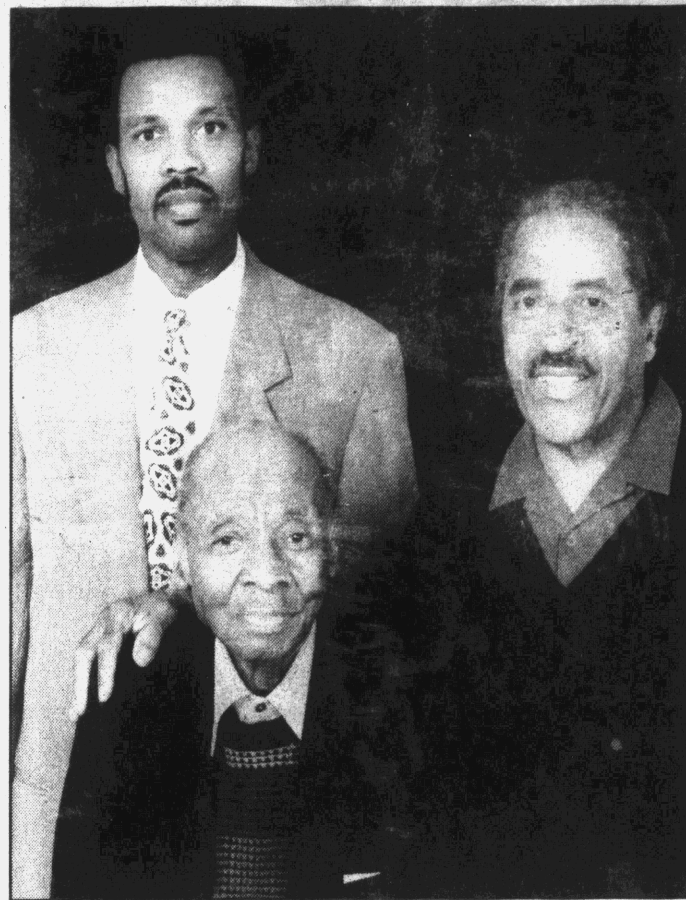
activities.

Though never loud or boisterous, Mr. Garrett never hesitated to speak up on any of the issues that would help improve our way of life. He was driven by his compassion and convictions regarding the struggle for civil rights. Mr. Garrett would picket and/or boycott any business concern that denied employment, career growth opportunities, etc. To African Americans that were offered to anyone else. There were even times when he was known to demonstrate solo, but his convictions never lessened. He is credited with bringing enough focus to work

places like the telephone company, Piggly Wiggly and others, to secure employment for African Americans. A former president of the Pitt county branch of the Southern Christian Leadership Conference, he belonged to many civic, social, and fraternal organizations. Mr. Garrett was a faithful member of the York Memorial A.M.E. Zion Church. In June 1990, Garrett was named father of the year by York Memorial. In recognition of his valiant civic efforts, Greenville city Mayor Nancy Jenkins declared October 15th, (Mr. Garrett's 90th Birthday) "George Francis Garrett Day!"

There is a quote that says, "always be like the gentle snowflake: leave your mark. . . But never a scar." There is a definite mark on the life of each of us who was fortunate enough to have been touched by George Garrett and who now bid him a solemn farewell. Wherever a need existed, Mr. Garrett was found busy trying to help bring about a change. . . a positive change...a change for good... Giving substance to the lines of the poet who wrote: "...to a suffering fellowman, let me do it while I can. No delay, for it is plain. I shall not pass this way again."

Faye White, Staff Writer



**FATHER GEORGE GARRETT WAS A FIGHTER...** A man's action and contribution to his God, family and fellow man are things that will last forever. Last week, Father George Garrett's funeral was a tribute to a great leader in the black community. Shown with Bro. Garrett in early days, left to right, Pastor James Corbett, Pastor of Communiy Christian Church and Bro. Chapman.

Photo By Jim Rouse

## 11th Annual Miss Fashionetta Held

Thirty six young ladies were formally presented to the Greenville community on Saturday, December 10, at 8:00 p.m., at C.M. Eppes Middle School.

The event was the 11th Miss Fashionetta Scholarship pageant sponsored by the Alpha Kappa Alpha Sorority Inc., Iota Kappa Omega Chapter.

The biennial affair which began in 1974, is designed to help young girls financially prepare for college, as well as, develop characteristics of finer womanhood.

Enrichments activities which began in August included a mother-daughter tea, ice cream sundae social, a weekend tour of Winston Salem State University, several awareness sessions, and etiquette workshops, and worshipped at Cornerstone Missionary Baptist Church.

Following the traditional cotillion, Miss Fashionetta 1994, Miss Tywana Jeffries, was crowned by the former Miss Fashionetta 1992, Miss Nicol Whitaker. The first runner up was Miss Mesha House,

and the second runner up was Miss April Yarrell.

Contestants were: Jennifer Barrett, Theresa Butler, Adriane Cotten, Alisha Cox, Belinda Dixon, Pamela Dixon, Keema Fenner, Natasha Gibbs, Erica Gorham, Denisha Harris, Tiffany Jackson, Renata Johnson, Sheaneathean Angel Johnson, LaVoris Joyner, Starla Keel, Devonna King, Shannon Koonce, Kenyetta Langley, Camelia Moore, Erika Myers, Vada Simone Perkins, January Price, Adrea Savage, Natasha Shepard,

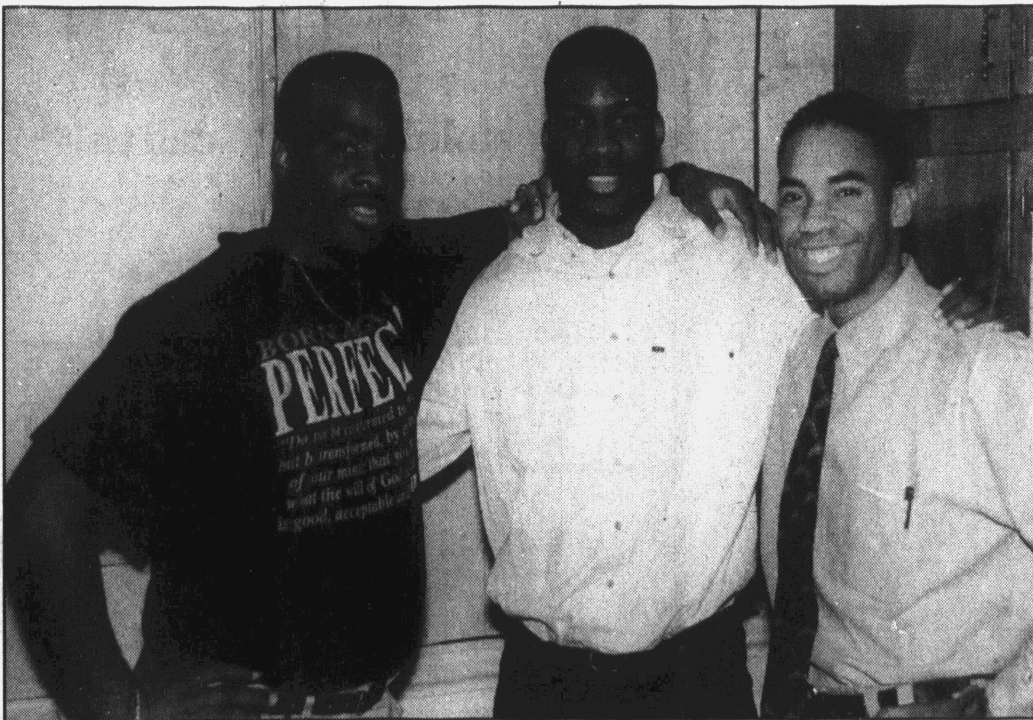
Kristen Sneed, Richelle Stevenson, Delicia Tripp, Jeanita Valentine, Ashley Wallace, Shanita Washington, Ebonie Whitaker, Yolanda Worsley, and Kimberly Wright.

## For A unified independent party

I have spent the weeks since the November 8 election studying results from around the country and I am struck by a number of factors. The Republicans picked up a substantial congressional advantage by campaigning against a sprawling, debt-ridden and tax-hungry government, that they themselves participated in creating; the Democrats, forced to defend that government in all its gridlock and ineptitude, lost their congressional edge in doing so. In contrast, the independents (and by independents here I mean the broad spectrum of multi-partyists who lead and vote for the variety of third parties in America) provided much of the substantive democracy and fiscal reform agenda that the Republicans successfully coopted and rode to victory. The independents gained political ground, and succeeded in making a dent in the "two-party consciousness" of the country's major media. The independent success stories of the 1994 election season are, for the most part, known to all of us. The Libertarian Party, while describing its own results as "mixed . . . but generally upbeat," elected seven Libertarians to public office, re-elected three and picked up ballot status in five states, bringing the total number of their ballot lines to 23. The national Patriot Party, with which I am affiliated, won ballot status in Minnesota and held ballot status in Pennsylvania. The Independence Fusion Party of New York—which grew out of the combined efforts of Patriot Party activists, political scientist Dr. Gordon Black, and myself—won ballot status through a highly publicized campaign which saw Ross Perot endorsing the IFP gubernatorial candidate, Tom Golisano, and making one of Perot's strongest pro-third party statements to date. (Several other attempts at ballot status in New York did not succeed. The Pro-Choice Party, an effort by a network of NOW-associated activists, did not submit the requisite number of petition signatures. The Black-oriented Freedom Party, an effort inspired by the Reverend Al Sharpton fell short of signatures as well. But while Freedom's ballot status bid failed, it remains a force for independent

politics in the African American community. And Reverend Sharpton, together with his close colleague the Reverend Jesse Jackson, have been putting forth the idea of an independent "rainbow" party with some vigor.) The Patriot Party of Alabama won the party's first elected public official. The Green Party also had a strong year, picking up major party ballot status in New Mexico and Maine. Maine, of course, elected an independent governor, Angus King. All that said, it seems to me that this is an opportune moment for all independents—with all our ideological and tactical differences—to sit down and discuss our respective prospects and review the possibilities for joint strategies up to and including fielding a single presidential candidate in 1996. Right now the Republicans are assessing their victory. But there are substantial internal divisions within that party that must, and will, be overcome in the interests of a unified bid to defeat a vulnerable Bill Clinton in 1996. On their part, the Democrats are

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**OUR HERO AND STILL NUMBER ONE...** East Carolina University quarterback Marcus Crandell dropped by the studios of WOOW radio station as a guest on Teen Talk hosted by WOOW radio announcer Gary Lee. Brother Marcus Crandell is from Robersonville and thanks his sister who raised him and thanks to God he is what he is today. Shown left to right, Gary Lee, Marcus Crandell and Jerome Fuller. Keep up the good work all three young African-American brothers.

Photo By Jim Rouse

## Regional conference scheduled

The North Carolina Institute of Minority Economic Development in collaboration with The State of North Carolina, AT&T, IBM, Northern Telecom, Fujitsu, Bell South and MCNC will sponsor a regional conference on "The National Information Highway: Opportunities and Connections for Minority Business Enterprises." The conference will take place February 6-7, at the Sheraton Imperial Hotel and Convention Center in Research Triangle Park, North Carolina.

The primary objective of the conference is to de-mystify existing and emerging opportunities along the National Information Highway. Conference participants will learn about these opportunities for their businesses as well as be exposed to some of the major players in the new age of communication technologies. Contract and purchasing officials will be on hand to discuss immediate, near-term and long-term ventures for minority firms in distribution, software de-

velopment, manufacturing, and a broad range of service areas.

The cost of registration for this vitally important conference is

\$25.00 per person and after January 16, \$35.00. Space is limited. Register Early!

## Autism week proclaimed in North Carolina

Autism is the fourth most prevalent developmental disability, behind mental retardation, epilepsy, and cerebral palsy. Autism affects one-to-two of every 1,000 persons. Four out of five are male. Autism affects all races and socio-economic classes. Autism is a disorder of communication and behavior and is a brain dysfunction. Some symptoms include apparent insensitivity to pain; inappropriate laughing or giggling; sustained odd play; continual spinning of objects; or tantrums.

In Pitt County there are four classrooms for children with autism. These classes are located at

Elmhurst Elementary School, Third Street School, A.G. Cox Middle School, and Eastern Elementary School in Greenville, and at A.G. Cox Middle School in Winterville. These classes serve approximately 25 students with autism. Area parents can participate in meetings of the Eastern Local Unit of parents, a parent support organization of the Autism Society of North Carolina, which meets in Greenville. Wayland Denton, a Greenville building contractor, also serves on the Autism Society of North Carolina's Board of Directors. He

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**MOTHER ROUSE IN SOUTH CAROLINA.** The weather was right and the fellowship was love. Shown visiting her home in Darlington, SC, sister Elsie Rouse, who is the mother of Publisher Jim Rouse is shown with her childhood friend and former neighbor. It feels good to return to your roots.

Photo by Jim Rouse



# Add a pinch of compassion to holiday meals

When planning your holiday menu, The Humane Society of the United States (HSUS) reminds you to add a little compassion to your favorite recipes. According to The HSUS, most of the animal products sold in grocery stores come from animals bred to live their entire lives in intensive confinement systems — systems that crowd animals and deny them their most basic physi-

cal and behavioral needs. These abusive and stressful methods of husbandry often affect the health of the animals, our own health and, ultimately, the health of our environment. The HSUS is urging consumers who purchase meat, eggs and dairy products to "shop with compassion" by choosing more humanely produced animal products.

"The holidays are traditionally viewed as a time to splurge — dietary and health concerns are secondary to the holiday festivities. Consequently, the use of eggs, meat and dairy products increases," says Melanie Adcock, HSUS director for farm animals. "This is the perfect time for consumers to pressure their grocers to support more humane farming methods."

Due to public demand for more humane choices, many supermarket chains now carry eggs from

uncaged hens, and The HSUS says that consumer support of other humanely raised products would encourage grocers to begin stocking them instead of animal products from "factory farms."

"The holiday season is a time of joy and sharing, and when you

begin to share your humane concerns, you make a big difference in the lives of millions of farm animals," says Adcock.

The HSUS asks you to bring a little compassion to your holiday table this year by remembering these "three Rs."

**Refine your diet.** Only eat humanely produced animal products.

**Reduce your consumption of eggs, meat and milk**—it's healthier.

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## Clayton announces enterprise communities

Congresswoman Eva M. Clayton joins President William J. Clinton today in congratulating Wilson, Edgecombe and Halifax Counties as Rural Enterprise Communities designees. The counties were designated under the New Federal Assistance Program which named nine Empowerment Zones and 95 Enterprise Community designees throughout the United States.

"This designation will result in an economic boost to the community and bring other incentives

well," said Clayton. "All of the communities requesting the grant met, without a doubt, the qualifications required to be designated as an Enterprise Community."

Each Enterprise Community grant must be used for delivery of government services, microenterprise loan funds, technical/workforce support or programs and leveraging matching support.

"I fully support these communities and look forward to the continued growth of this area," said Clayton. "The experience and knowledge gained throughout the application process is invaluable and placed all of the communities in a position of advantage for future economic self-development."

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## REALIZING THE DREAM

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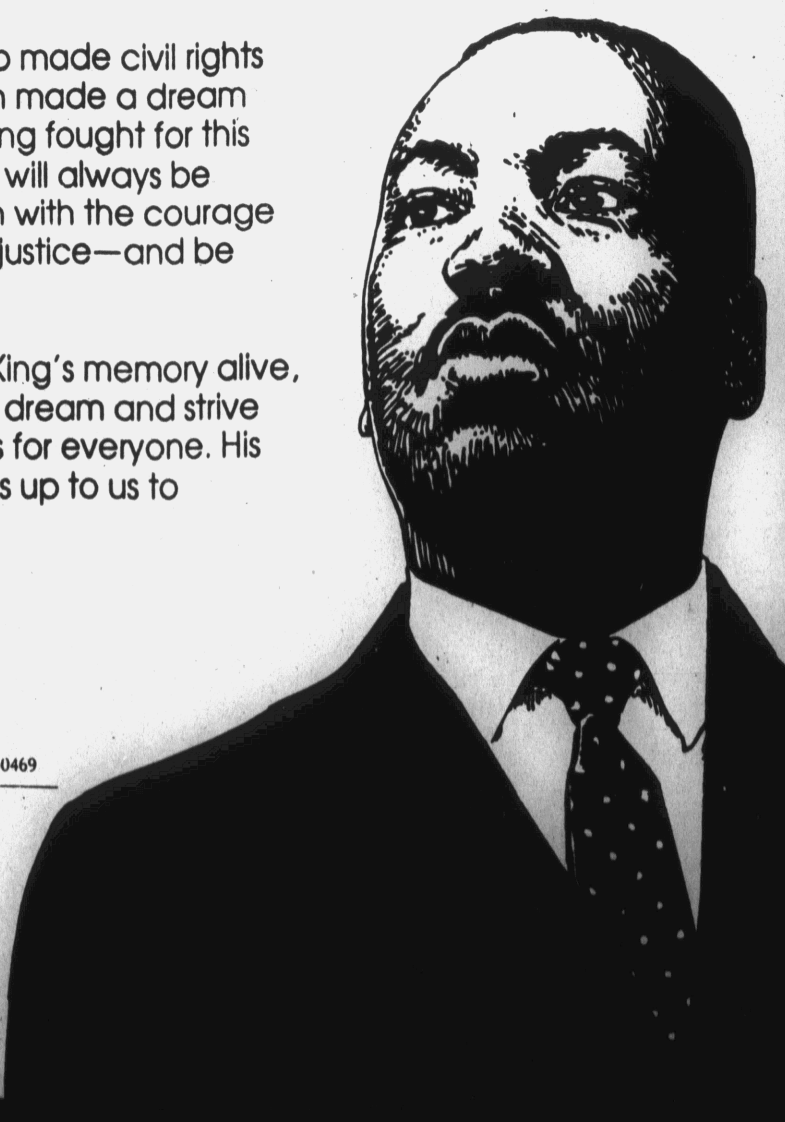
## A Salute to Martin Luther King, Jr.

We salute the man who made civil rights a reality. His dedication made a dream come true for many. King fought for this dream peacefully and will always be remembered as a man with the courage to speak out against injustice—and be heard.

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## Clayton announces Lenoir County grant

Congresswoman Eva M. Clayton announces the award of a \$2 million grant to the North Lenoir Water Corporation which will create approximately 500 new long-term jobs. The corporation will contribute more than \$1 million additional dollars to facilitate the project.

"This grant will provide us with a unique opportunity to continue the economic development of Lenoir County," said Clayton. "We are privileged to have such forward-thinking leadership in this area."

The grant will be used to install approximately 10 miles of water lines expanding the current water system which will promote future growth in the area and create jobs in Lenoir County. The grant will help fund a 1 million gallon storage tank that will provide water for fire protection, industry and domestic use.

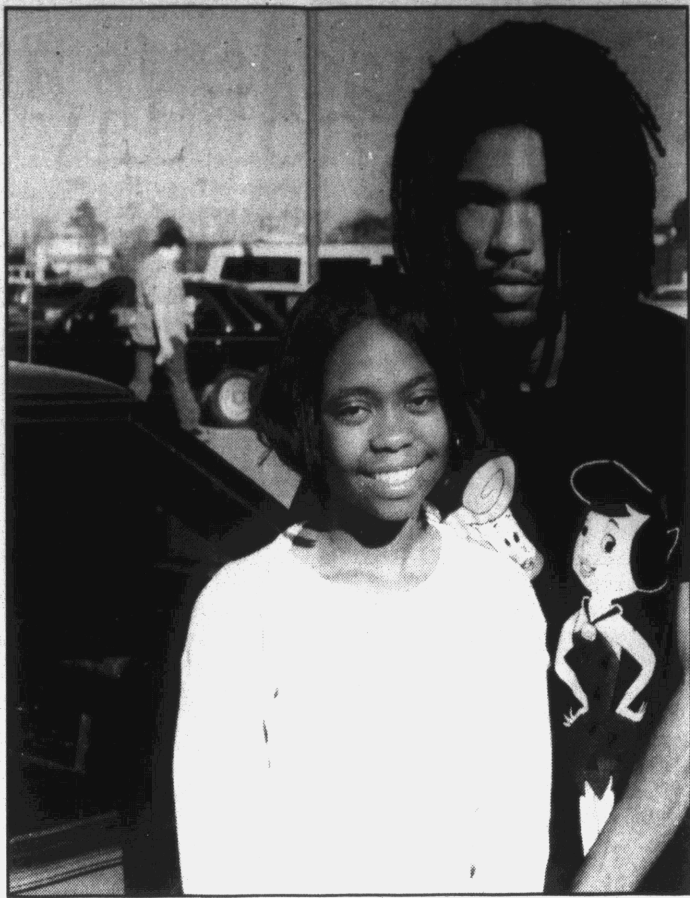
Lenoir County officials estimate that hundreds of families will now be able to receive in-home water service as a result of the new water system.

The Dupont Corporation will be one of the first customers of the water system which will facilitate a \$300 million expansion of the company's dacron fiber plant consequently creating approximately 200 paying jobs within two years and 500 long-term jobs.

"I am delighted that another opportunity has been provided to North Carolinians for continued economic growth," said Clayton. "This is a great opportunity."

## Clayton announces Community policing grants

Representative Eva M. Clayton announced that Edgecombe County will receive an estimated total of \$58,129 for the hiring of an additional police officer from the Department of Justice. The grant was awarded under the COPS AHEAD program. "This grant will go a long way in helping to make Edgecombe County safer," says Clayton.



WASHINGTON, NC. . . These two young African-Americans pose for the 'M' Voice newspaper camera in front of S & P Beauty Supply at the Walmart Shopping Plaza in Washington, NC. Look at the beautiful faces of our young people.

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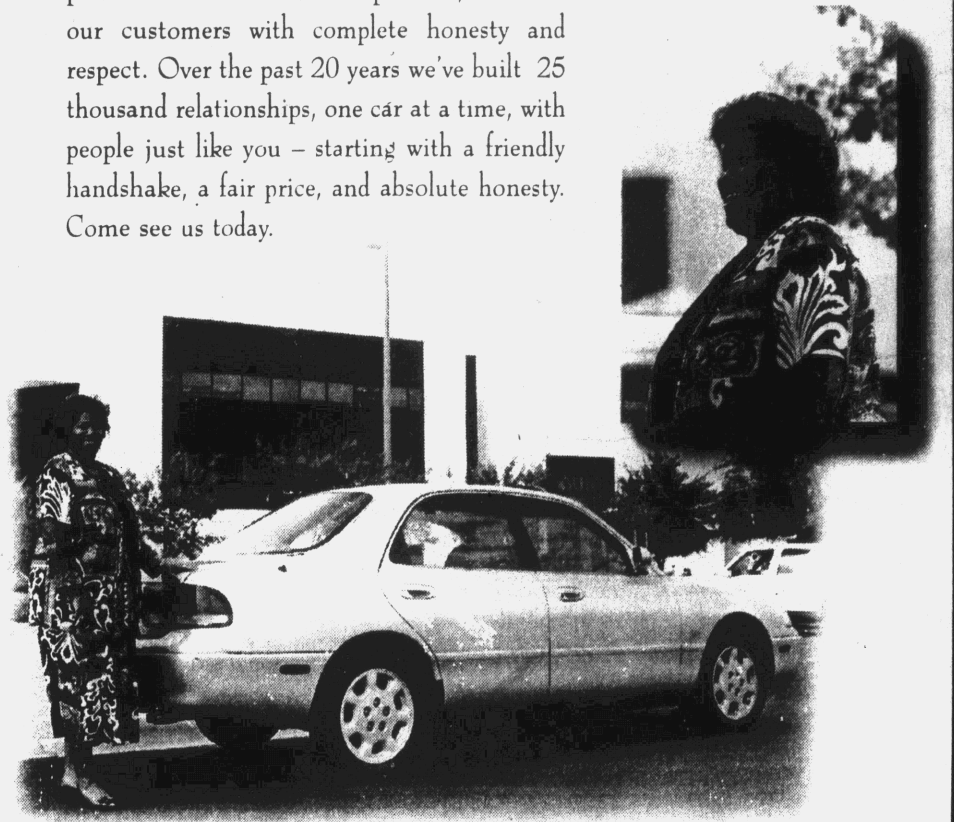
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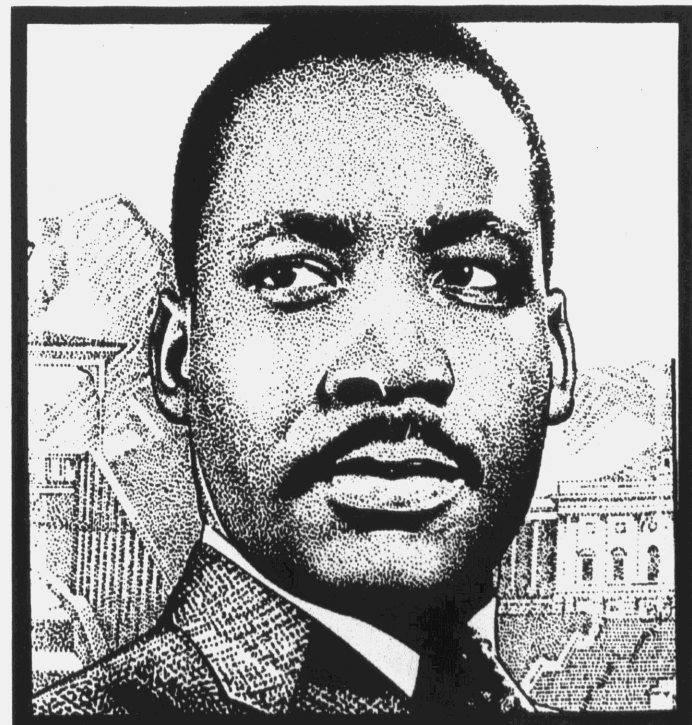
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## Coming events at NCCU

A five-week program of study in Ghana, West Africa, will be offered to all North Carolina college students this summer through the North Carolina Consortium for International/Intercultural Education. Information is available from Dr. Eugene A. Eaves, 919-560-6228, or Dr. Mary Phillips, 919-560-6014.

The program will begin on or around July 2, and will cost approximately \$3,300. Six weeks of undergraduate credit will be offered.

Togo D. West, Jr., Secretary of

the Army, will present a free public lecture at North Carolina Central University's B.N. Duke Auditorium at 7:30 p.m., January 19. The lecture is part of NCCU's Lyceum Series. For information, call 919-560-6557.

Art work by pupils from all 42 of the Durham Public Schools will be on display at the NCCU Art Museum January 8 through February 5. Hours for the show, "Museum's Choice," are from 2 to 5 p.m. Sunday and from 9 a.m. to 5 p.m. Tuesday through Friday. the

museum is closed Monday and Saturday.

Admission is free and the public is invited. For information, call 919-560-6211 or 919-560-3721.

The NCCU Art Museum is at North Carolina Central University in Durham, on Lawson Street near the Fayetteville Street intersection.

## NCCU offers information of Ghana study project

Two North Carolina Central University faculty members can provide information on a five-week travel and study program in Ghana July 2 through August 4.

Dr. Eugene A. Eaves, interim dean of the University college, and Dr. Mary Phillips of the NCCU School of Business have been named by the North Carolina Consortium for International/Intercultural Education to provide information about the project to local college and university students.

The program is open to all North Carolina college students, at an approximate cost of \$3,300.

Participants have two study options. They may study African History and Social Change in Modern Africa at the University of Science and Technology at Kumasi, Ghana, or they may do intensive language study in African languages at the University of Ghana at Legon.

All students will participate in weekend excursions which include guided tours of a variety of sites and events in the West African nation.

NCCU is a member institution of the North Carolina consortium for International/Intercultural Education. Other members include Bennett College, Fayetteville State University, Johnson C. Smith University, North Carolina A&T State University, St. Augustine's College, and Winston-Salem State University.

Dean Eaves can be reached at 919-560-6228; Dr. Phillips at 919-560-6014.

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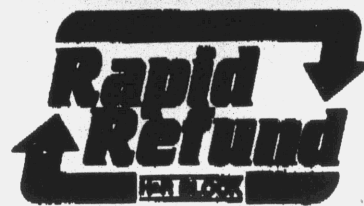
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# Hunt names Mitchell as chief justice of N.C. Supreme Court

RALEIGH — Gov. Jim Hunt today named N.C. Supreme Court Associate Justice Burley B. Mitchell Jr. as Chief Justice of the Court, replacing retiring Chief Justice James G. Exum Jr.

Mitchell will be sworn in on January 3, 1995 in the Supreme Court Chamber.

Mitchell, 53, was appointed by Hunt to the Supreme Court in 1982, elected in 1982, and was re-elected in 1984 and 1992. His career in public service spans 20 years, including a five-year stint as Wake County's district attorney, a seat on the N.C. Court of Appeals and three years as Sec. of the N.C. Dept. of Crime Control and Public Safety, where he spearheaded the Community Watch program and strengthened the National Guard.

Hunt praised Mitchell's efforts — as a prosecutor, judge and Cabinet secretary — to fight crime. "His background as a tough pros-

ecutor, an innovative leader of the Dept. of Crime Control and Public Safety, and a tough but fair Court of Appeals judge and Supreme Court justice will make him an outstanding Chief Justice," Hunt said. "He has strong roots in Raleigh, a strong record of public service and a strong commitment to making life better for the citizens of this state."

In 1973, when Mitchell was appointed District Attorney in the 10th Judicial District, Wake County had the largest backlog of untried felony cases in the state. Under his watch, the D.A.'s once tried more felony cases each year than any other in the state. When he left the prosecutor's office, Wake County had the smallest backlog of felony case of any urban county in North Carolina.

Hunt appointed Mitchell to the N.C. Court of Appeals in 1977, where he served for two years. In 1979, Hunt appointed him as Sec-

retary of the N.C. Department of Crime Control and Public Safety, where he served until 1982. As head of the department that oversees the state's law enforcement and public safety efforts, Mitchell restructured the National Guard, making it the ready reserve unit it is now, and created the Crime Prevention Division, which brought sheriffs, police chiefs and other law enforcement officials together to start programs like Community Watch.

In 1989, he was appointed by Gov. Jim Martin as chairman of the Governor's Advisory Board on Prisons and Punishment. The bipartisan board was charged with reviewing the needs of the state's prisons and making recommendations to the Governor and the General Assembly. The board recommended an increase in the state's prison capacity to accommodate 11,000 additional prisoners. Voters approved \$200 million bonds

for prison construction, most of which has been completed.

Mitchell has also been a member of the Governor's Crime Commission which develops the state's comprehensive crime-fighting strategy — since its creation. Ap-

pointed by Hunt in 1977, he served as chairman of the Commission from 1977 to 1979, and appointed and reappointed as the Supreme Court's representative on the Governor's Crime Commission by former Chief Justices Joseph

Branch and Rhoda Billings.

A 1966 graduate of N.C. State University, Mitchell received his JD from UNC-Chapel Hill in 1969. He and his wife, Lou, have two children, David and Catherine.

## Secretary of the Army speaks at NCCU January 19

Togo D. West, Jr., Secretary of the Army, will present a public lecture at North Carolina Central University's B.N. Duke Auditorium at 7:30 p.m., January 19.

The lecture is part of the university's Lyceum Series.

West, a native of Winston-Salem, took the oath of office as the United States' 16th Secretary of the Army on November 22, 1993. He holds the bachelor of science degree in electrical engineering and the juris doctor degree in law from Howard University.

In January, 1980, West was appointed General Counsel of the U.S. Department of Defense. He joined the New York law firm of Patterson, Bleknep, Webb & Tyler as managing partner of its Washington office in 1984. In 1990 he became senior vice president for government relations of the Northrop Corporation.

West has also practiced law with the law firm of Covington & Burling. He was a legal intern

with the U.S. Equal Employment Opportunity Commission in 1967, and a judicial clerk in the Southern District of New York in 1968. He was commissioned in the Army's Judge Advocate General Corps in 1969, and served on active duty with the Office of the Assistant Secretary of the Army (Manpower and Reserve Affairs) until 1973.

He was General counsel for the Department of the Navy from 1977

## Judith Grizzel elected to chair NC Travel and Tourism Board

Judith Grizzel, President of the Greensboro Area Convention and Visitors Bureau, has been elected Chairperson of the North Carolina Division of Travel and Tourism Board of Directors for the 1995 year.

Her duties will include the following: advising the Secretary of

Commerce in the formulation of policies and priorities; developing a budget; monitoring the effectiveness of advertising campaigns; making program recommendations; naming a subcommittee to review the tourism grant programs; promoting the exchange of ideas and information on tourism; and monitoring the overall operations of the NC Division of Travel and Tourism. Grizzel will chair a Board composed of 25 members.

The NC Travel and Tourism Board was created within the Department of Commerce to promote the sound development of the travel and tourism industry of North Carolina.

Grizzel was previously Past President of the Travel Council of NC and the NC Association of Convention and Visitor Bureaus. She has also served on the Governor's Task Force for International Marketing.

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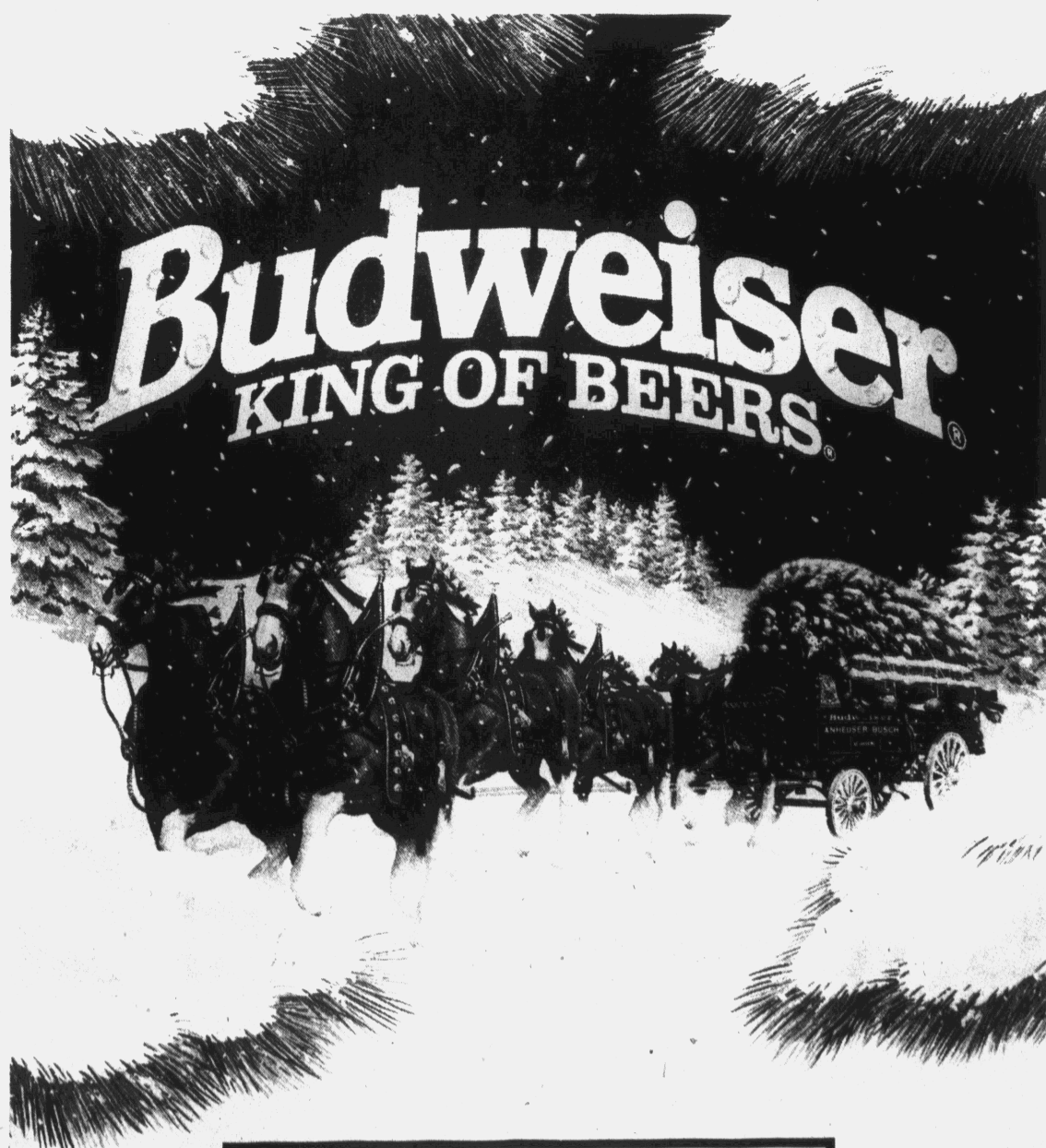
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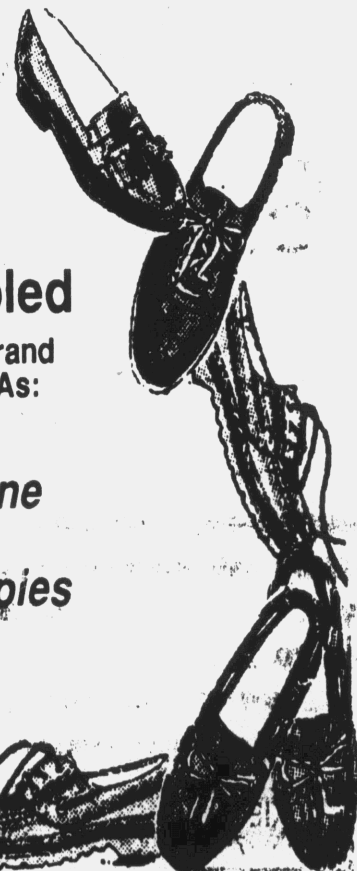
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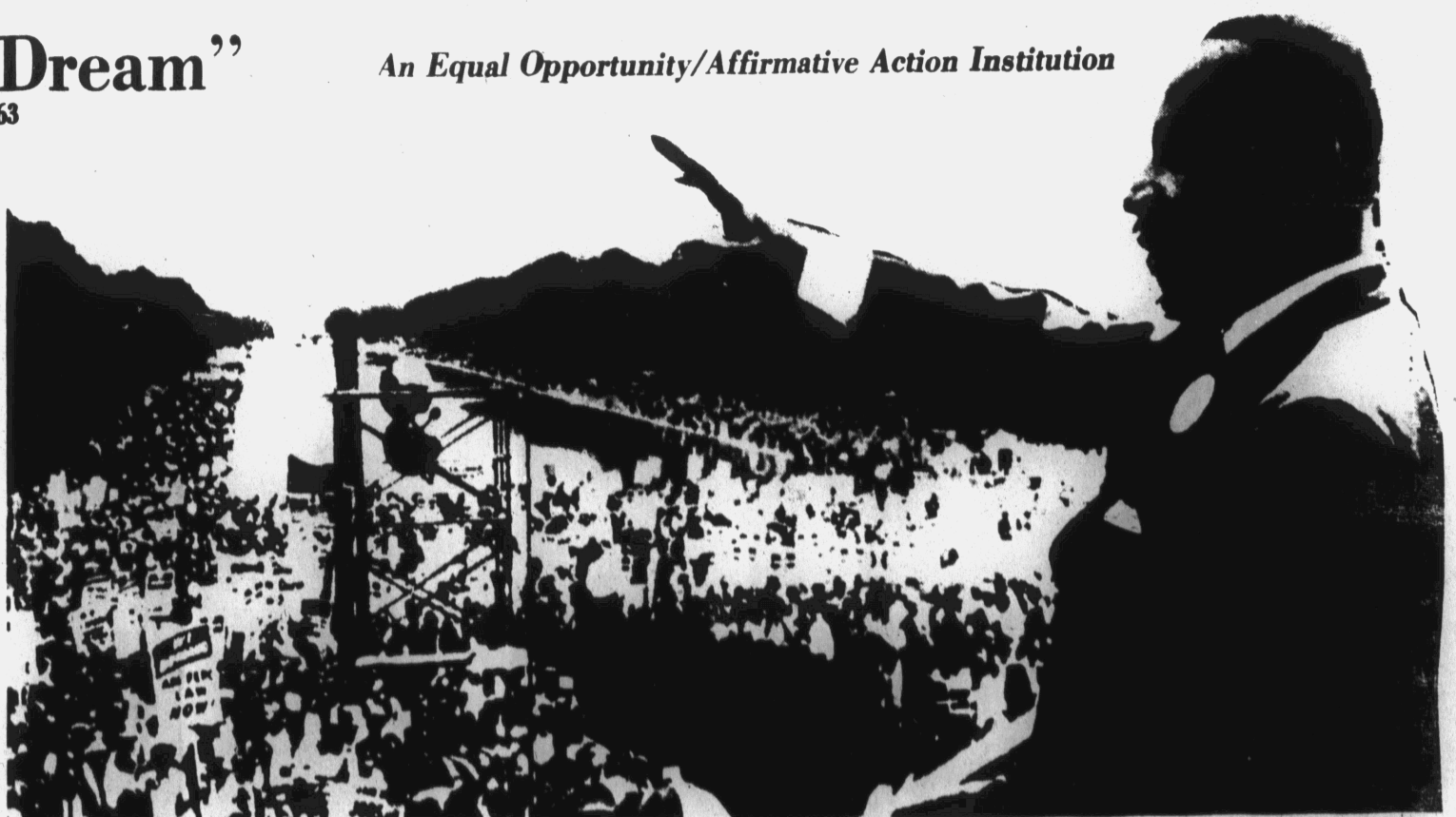
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# NCDA, USDA plan gypsy moth treatments in spring of 1995

State and federal agriculture experts are outlining plans to conduct a second round of battle with Asian gypsy moths next spring, including spray treatments along 2,500 acres in South Carolina. The strategy is part of a three-year, \$9.4 million project designed to eradicate the pesky insect from

North Carolina. The effort is funded by the federal government. Last April, scientists from the North Carolina Department of Agriculture and U.S. Department of Agriculture treated some 130,000 acres in Brunswick and New Hanover counties. The spray treatments curbed

much of the moth infestation, but follow-up surveys revealed some moths remained, according to the N.C. Department of Agriculture. All of the scheduled North Carolina spray sites are located in Brunswick County while the South Carolina site is located in the Little River area near the N.C. border. The gypsy moth is a destructive pest which feeds on the leaves of trees and shrubbery.

"We're doing everything we can to keep this pest in check," said state Agriculture Commissioner Jim Graham. "It's important that we take all reasonable steps to keep this moth from becoming established and spreading." Experts are particularly concerned with an infestation of Asian gypsy moths because the female moth can fly, which could lead to a

rapid spread of the insect. The European strain of the moth, whose females are flightless, is already established in the Northeast United States and sections of northeastern North Carolina.

The proposed N.C. spray areas are:

- \* About 640 acres (one square mile) near Holden Beach in Brunswick County. One male moth was trapped at this location. The moth contained two genetic markers strongly indicating an Asian gypsy moth heritage.

- \* Approximately 640 acres near Shallotte. Two male moths were trapped in this area during the 1994 survey. These moths also contained two markers indicative of an Asian gypsy moth heritage.

- \* About 2,560 acres (four square miles) along Half Hell Swamp. One male moth was trapped in this swamp during the summer. The moth contained two genetic markers indicative of an Asian gypsy moth heritage.

In South Carolina, experts plan to treat about 2,500 acres. Sixty

male gypsy moths were trapped in this area as part of the 1994 Asian gypsy moth trapping program. Genetic tests indicated a limited Asian moth heritage, but scientists maintain the presence of numerous egg masses poses a threat to both North and South Carolina and should be treated.

The moths arrived in North Carolina when a U.S. munitions vessel docked at Sunny Point Military Ocean Terminal in Brunswick County on July 4, 1993.

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The primary objective of the conference is to de-mystify existing and emerging opportunities along the National Information Highway. Conference participants will learn about these opportunities for

their businesses as well as be exposed to some of the major players in the new age of communication technologies. Contract and purchasing officials will be on hand to discuss immediate, near-term and long-term ventures for minority firms in distribution, software de-

velopment, manufacturing, and a broad range of service areas.

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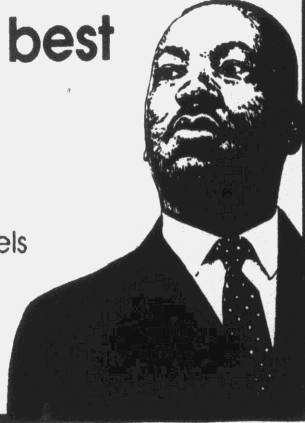
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## Danials complete basic training

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During the eight-week program, Daniels completed a variety of training which included classroom study, practical hands-on instruction, and an emphasis on physical fitness. In particular, Daniels learned naval customs, first aid, fire fighting, water safety and survival, and a variety of safety skills required for working around ships and aircraft.

Daniels and other recruits also received instruction on the Navy's core values - honor, courage and commitment; and what the words mean in guiding personal and professional conduct. Daniels joins 55,000 men and women who will enter the Navy this year from all over the country.

Men and women train together from their first day in the Navy just as they do aboard ships and at shore bases around the world. To reinforce the team concept, Daniels and other recruits also were trained in preventing sexual harassment and ensuring equal opportunity.

Even as the naval service gets smaller over the next few years,

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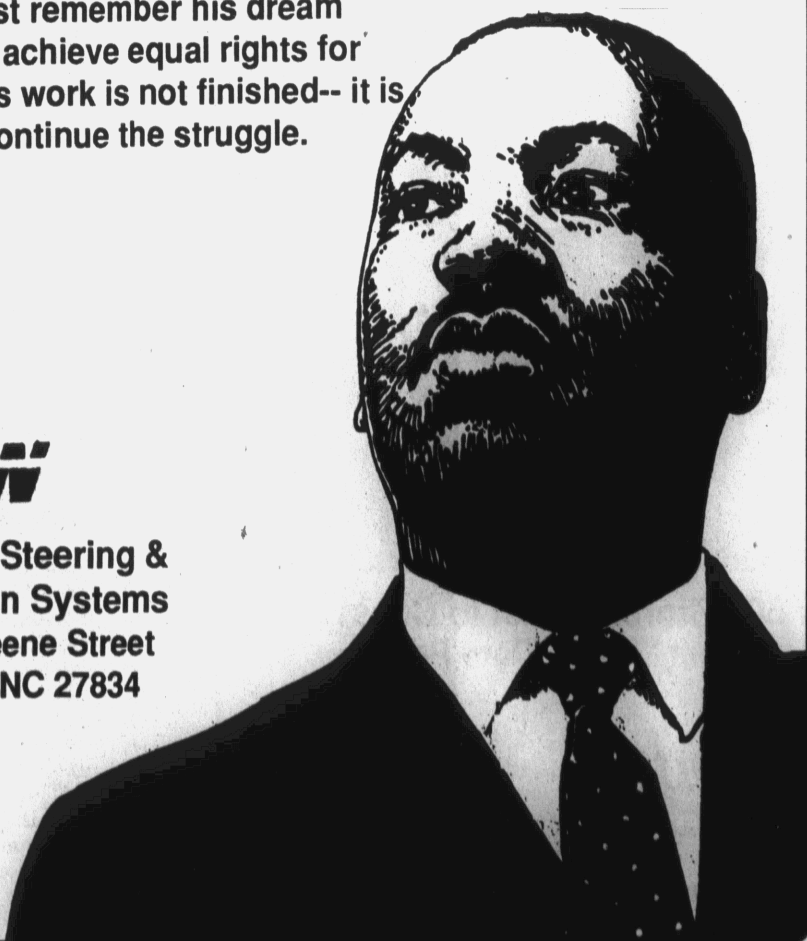
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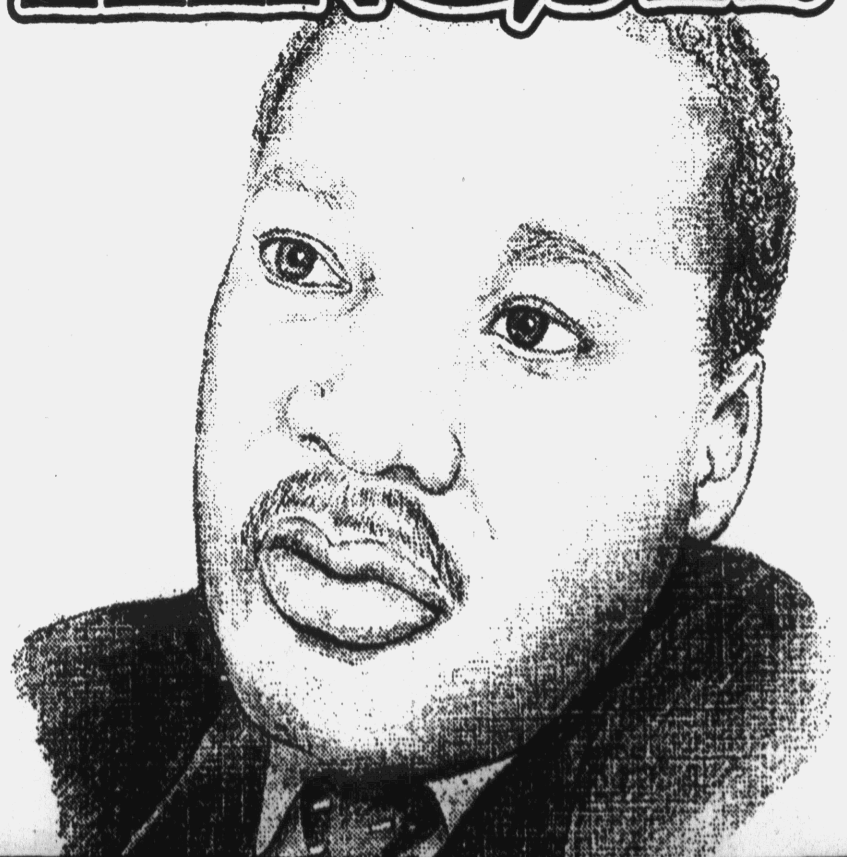
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Joshua Kris is a 17-year-old high school senior in Saginaw, Mich., who is attending school, learning a skill, holding a job, and looking forward to college with tuition al-

ready covered. His classmate, Alan Kounovsky, also is acquiring a skill and has a job waiting for him when he graduates from Arthur Hill High School.

Both are taking part in an innovative school-to-work transition program that serves as a model for programs that will be developed by schools, businesses and communities across America under President Clinton's School-to-Work Opportunities Act.

By 7:45 a.m., the students are at school, focused on challenging academic subjects that often track their career plans, such as psychology and pre-calculus, physics and world literature, architecture

and U.S. government. At 10 a.m., it's on to the Averill Career Opportunities Center, where they relate their classroom studies to machine-tool technology — the world of lathes, mills and drills. Then, Joshua goes to work at Allied Tool & Machine, making pistons for General Motors, while Alan makes axles at Shields Manufacturing.

After graduation, Joshua plans to major in mechanical engineering at Delta Community College,

with Allied committed to paying tuition costs. Later, he might transfer to Saginaw Valley State University. Alan wants to wait awhile to further his education, but in the meantime, he will have a good-paying job as a machine operator at Shields.

Most industrialized countries have provided students with such opportunities for years. This year, Congress passed President Clinton's School-to-Work Opportunities Act, and the United States finally took action to assure that everyone — not just those going immediately to college — has a chance to get the kind of education and training that leads to a career with a future.

"School-to-Work is based on the notion of partnerships," says U.S. Secretary of Education Richard W. Riley. "Partnerships involving schools, businesses and labor, parents and teachers, students and employers, and states and the federal government."

"We're inviting states to look at high school and what's available immediately after graduation — apprenticeships, community colleges, technical schools — and bring it all together in one seamless whole that creates opportunities for students to become successful employees and entrepreneurs."

Secretary Robert Reich, whose Department of Labor shares responsibility for the federal role in school-to-work, says, "The connection between what students learn while in school and what they earn later in life is crystal clear. Business and industry joining with schools to ensure students learn what they need to get to a good job and get ahead is what school-to-work is all about. It's the first step on the road to high-skill, high-

wage work for America's young people."

School-to-work, the secretaries said, is an example of federal support for state leadership:

o Every state has received a "development" grant of between \$200,000 and \$750,000 to create a comprehensive, statewide School-to-Work Opportunities plan to encourage partnerships among employers, labor, education, government and community organizations; design challenging curricula; and support local planning and development activities.

o When states have completed their plans they can compete for "implementation" grants to help set their plans in motion. Such funds might be used to recruit and provide assistance to employers in providing work-based learning opportunities for students, provide training for teachers, employers, workplace mentors and counselors; or work with localities to recruit and retain students.

In addition, local communities can compete for "partnership" grants to support efforts to bring together employers, public secondary and postsecondary educational institutions, labor organizations and other local entities.

"Urban/rural opportunities" grants are available to support efforts in high poverty areas. Other grants serve the special needs of Native American youth. Riley said various techniques offer great promise in creating statewide systems to ease the transition from school to work, including:

o Career academies — "schools within schools" offering occupationally focused training to high school juniors and seniors in fields such as environmental technology, applied electrical science, horticulture, sports education, business education, travel and tourism, and engineering;

o Cooperative education partnerships — secondary and post-secondary school programs that provide students with school and work experiences. Co-op participants are employed at a worksite related to their field of study while enrolled in school;

o Tech-prep education — a four-year, planned sequence of study for a technical field, requiring a formal agreement between a secondary and postsecondary school. Beginning in the 11th grade, and extending through two years of postsecondary occupational education or an apprenticeship program of at least two years, participants complete the program with a certificate or associate degree;

o Youth apprenticeship — combines structured, paid work and on-the-job training and mentoring experiences with related classroom instruction. Career awareness can begin in the elementary grades and continue through high school. In addition to a high school diploma and postsecondary certificate or degree, participants receive a certificate of mastery of occupational skills;

o Adult education — one in six high school diplomas is earned through completion of General Equivalency Diploma (GED) requirements and other alternative diploma programs, such as the External Diploma Program. These alternative methods of completing high school may be used to enter a School-to-Work system.

Upon graduation, school-to-work students will have at least two credentials: a high school diploma and a skills certificate tied to national skill standards as validated by a National Skill Standards Board. The skills certificates, available for a broad range of occupations, will be accepted by industry and recognized by employers nationwide.

Recently, 13 CEOs representing the nation's leading companies met with President Clinton, Riley and Reich at the White House to announce the creation of the School-to-Work National Employer Leadership Council (NELC) to promote and encourage School-to-Work programs. The NELC is scheduled to conduct its first meeting on January 11 in Florida.

NELC chairman and Ford Motor Co. chairman/CEO Alex Trotman says, "The members of the NELC recognize that it is absolutely imperative that the United States has a workforce which is fully capable of competing with any other workforce — anywhere in the world. There's no doubt in my mind that our School-to-work efforts will help achieve this."

Reich agrees. "Schools can't do this alone. Business, industry, labor unions all have an interest in making sure that today's young people are ready for the high-wage, high-skill jobs of the future. School-to-work can keep our workforce productive and America competitive. "School-to-Work is part of a broader federal effort, Riley says, to help states and communities improve the quality of education. "The foundation is the Goals 2000: Educate America Act, which also provides support for state and local planning, leading to serious education reform. We know that all children can learn and benefit from challenging academic standards."

"This new federal, state and local partnership offers an exciting opportunity to improve American education and redirect our efforts to better serve the needs of families and children."

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## Economic Development Director

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Concurrent sessions will cover multiple topics, but will require attendees to select areas of interest each day. Three categories offered on Monday, January 9, include full-day sessions on tomatoes, small acreage farming and peppers. Beans and peas, sustainable production and a third session on cucumber, melon, pumpkin and squash will be held on Tuesday.

Tuesday afternoon will continue with the cucumber, melon, pumpkin and squash session. Also scheduled is a course on cabbage, broccoli and greens, and a short course on farm marketing. The Wednesday sessions will finish by noon, and include sweet corn, migrant labor issues and topics, and the wrap-up of the farm marketing short course.

Growers looking for pesticide continuing certification credits will receive a half hour credit for attending each of four selected sessions taught by David Monks from North Carolina State University.

The trade show will be open Monday from 4 to 7 p.m., Tuesday from 8 a.m. to 6 p.m., and Wednesday from 8 a.m. to noon. Many allied industries will be represented in the trade show with the latest in production tools, according to vegetable expo organizers.

Attendees may also tour the site of the new Triad Airport on Sandy Ridge Road in Greensboro. Dexter

Hill, market manager, will attend the expo. The market is a section of the N.C. Department of Agriculture.

The N.C. Vegetable Expo is sponsored by the N.C. Vegetable Growers Association, N.C. State University, N.C. Cooperative Extension Service, N.C. Department of Agriculture, N.C. A&T State Uni-

versity and the Energy Division of the N.C. Department of Commerce.

For information, contact Brent Jackson, president of the N.C. Vegetable Growers Association at 910-525-3151, or Don Young, NCDA horticultural marketing specialist at the Northeast Marketing Center in Elizabeth City, 919-331-4773.

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# N. C. Third Quarter Exports Up 25 Percent

International trade activity in North Carolina rose 21.4 percent in the third quarter of 1994 compared with the same period a year ago, according to the Wachovia North Carolina World Trade Index. Trade activity—exports plus imports—in the third quarter totaled \$6.73 billion.

North Carolina exports for the quarter were \$3.52 billion, 25.3 percent above the third quarter of 1993. Manufactured exports were up by 28.1 percent to \$3.34 billion,

while non-manufactured exports dropped by 11 percent to \$178 million. Year to date, North Carolina exports totaled \$9.84 billion, 17.8 percent ahead of the prior year.

North Carolina imports for the third quarter were estimated at \$3.22 billion, up 17.4 percent from the prior year level. North Carolina experienced an estimated trade surplus of \$303 million. Imports for the first nine months of 1994 were estimated at \$9.45 billion, indicating a surplus of \$393 million.

"Nationally, North Carolina ranked ninth in export value and 12th in exports per capita in the third quarter," said J. Walter McDowell, chief executive officer of Wachovia Bank of North Carolina.

"This above-average performance is indicative of the state's strong economic footing and healthy job growth. It also is a sign that North Carolina's markets have become truly global in scope." Highlights of North Carolina trade versus the year earlier quarter include:

- Transportation equipment jumped to first place among North Carolina export industries, increasing to \$595 million, up 84 percent from the 1993 third quarter. Saudi Arabia increased its purchases by \$262 million from a year ago. The state ranked 10th nationally in per capita exports of transportation equipment in the third quarter.
- Industrial machinery and

equipment rose 39 percent to \$556 million for the third quarter and 37 percent to \$1.63 billion year to date. The sector's per capita exports ranked 17th nationally.

- Manufactured tobacco product exports were up 44 percent to \$366 million. About two-thirds of the increase occurred in exports to Middle Eastern countries. North Carolina was second only to Virginia in this export category.
- Electronic and other electrical equipment exports totaled \$300 million, 10 percent above 1993.
- Exports of chemicals and allied products (including pharmaceuticals) were \$259 million, off 6 percent. Nationally, North Carolina was the 20th-largest per capita exporter in this industry.
- Textile and apparel exports rose by 18 percent to \$214 million, and 16 percent to \$218 million, respectively. Both industry sectors were up 13 percent year to date. North Carolina ranked first nationally in per capita exports of apparel and second in per capita exports of textiles.
- Third quarter exports of furniture and fixtures totaled \$52 million, 39 percent ahead of the prior year. North Carolina was third nationally in per capita exports in this industry category, behind Michigan and Texas.
- Canada remained the top destination for North Carolina exports, with total third quarter purchases of \$804 million, 27 percent above the previous year.
- Exports to Mexico totaled \$193 million, up 43 percent from the third quarter a year ago. Apparel, the leading export industry to Mexico, was up 58 percent. Year-to-date exports to Mexico were 50 percent higher than same period of 1993.
- Exports to Japan dropped by 22 percent from the 1993 third quarter, to \$274 million. Japan's purchases year to date are 12 percent ahead of the prior year.
- Exports through North Carolina ports and airports increased 54 percent, to \$1.14 billion. Exports through the port of Wilmington were up 54 percent, while the value of shipments through Morehead City decreased 11 percent. Douglas International Airport in Charlotte reported sharply higher exports of \$179 million. Exports through Raleigh/Durham International Airport were up marginally for the quarter, while Piedmont/Triad International Airport export traffic was off 92 percent. In the first quarter of 1993, the U.S. Department of Commerce adopted new measurement procedures that attributed exports to states according to the ZIP code of the exporter, rather than to the state of origin recorded on the Shipper's Export Declaration. The Wachovia North Carolina World Trade Index began using the new method of allocation at that time. The agency has now reversed its decision to discontinue the "origin of movement" measurement basis formerly used for the Index.

Because this method more closely corresponds to employment and similar economic activity in the state, Wachovia has returned to the "origin of movement" basis for calculating the Index. The Index also is adjusted for the under-counting of state exports and imports. In some cases, reporting forms submitted to the Customs Bureau are improperly completed, resulting in under-reporting of trade. The new export and import figures contain adjustments to compensate for this under-reporting.

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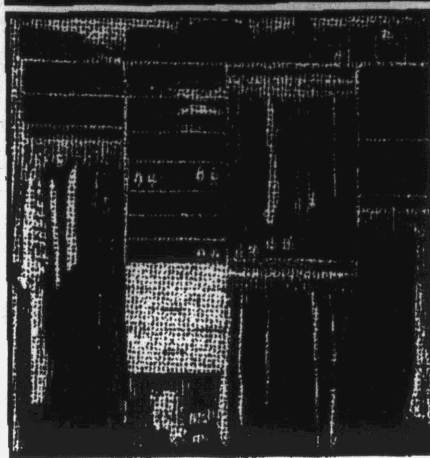
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# From The Desk Of Beatrice Maye

**10 DON'Ts from your child**  
1. Don't spoil me. I know quite well that I ought not to have all that I ask for. I'm only testing you.

2. Don't be afraid to be firm with me. I prefer it, it makes me feel more secure.  
3. Don't let me form bad habits.

I have to rely on you to detect them in the early stages.  
4. Don't correct me in front of people if you can help it. I'll take

much more notice if you talk privately with me in private.  
5. Don't protect me from consequences. I need to learn the pain-

ful way, sometimes.

6. Don't nag. If you do, I shall have to protect myself by appearing deaf.

7. Don't forget that I cannot explain myself as well as I should like. This is why I'm not always very accurate.

8. Don't be inconsistent. That completely confuses me and makes me lose faith in you.

9. Don't put me off when I ask questions. If you do, you will find that I stop asking and seek my information elsewhere.

10. Don't forget that I can't thrive without lots of understanding and love - but I don't need to tell you, do I?

From: "Letters to the Editor" in EBONY Magazine, July 1994 in answer to the article, "To Spank or Not to Spank" in the April 1994 issue.

1. No matter how you look at it, "Spanking is a physical assault of a bigger person on a smaller one." Discipline means to teach, not punishment, should be the norm for raising assertive, responsible and self-confident children.

2. "Spanking, whipping or hitting a child is nothing more than asserting your authority because you are bigger than a child and have more power than the child. If spanking truly worked, adults would spank each other in the workplace, at colleges and in church. To all spankers and child hitters, you are nothing but bullies."

3. To punish a child instead of spanking, use taking timeout or taking away privileges. This is better for the child emotionally and mentally, even for the parent. Continue publishing articles like this one, for it will help my generation raise a strong, more successful generation of young African-Americans.

4. The all-too-common picture of spanking - a powerful Black figure towering over a screaming defenseless child - must be removed from the Black community, this so-called tradition forms part of the corrosive legacy left by the white slavemaster who used this practice in the extreme (whippings, beatings, lashings) to foster violence and inhibit love among our people. That this sorry practice is perpetuated in the family unit only shows how deep remain the scars of slavery. One of the best ways to reduce this intolerable behavior is to film or photograph the parents in action and show them the picture.

5. There is enough violence facing our youth coming from outside elements; the home should be a secure and positive place. There are very effective ways of disciplining children other than striking them. A full-blown spanking only teaches a child to be frightened and resentful of his parents and that striking another human being is the only way to resolve conflict.

Thank you EBONY, for this article and all others that inspire and educate.

I realize that someone is quoting the proverb: "Spare the rod and spoil the child," which means - "Children need physical punishment in order to develop."

Proverbs 13:24 says, "He that spareth his rod hateth his son; but he that loveth him chasteneth him bedtimes."

Happy New Year!

Dear Friends,  
The holidays are over and the new year has begun. I hope that everyone got what he or she wanted for Christmas and that Santa was good to all of you.

I would like to thank everyone who tuned in to WOOW Radio Station for "Beatrice Maye's Moments of Community Reflections." After ten years with a perfect attendance never tardy or late, a live-show with the exception of three tapings, I am taking a leave of absence or resigning as of Sunday, December 25, 1994.

I thank Jim Rouse, owner/manager, for giving me the opportunity to introduce myself to media (radio and television). I especially thank 'Lil' Sam for being a most gentlemanly gracious host, as well as all of the other fine friends there at WOOW who helped to make my "talk show" a most enjoyable experience.

Continue to read my column in the "M" Voice.

Have a blessed New Year!

"Be grateful for the doors of opportunity - and for friends who oil the hinges."

Mrs. Beatrice Maye

To the editor:  
What the New Year brings us will depend a great deal on what we bring to the New Year. 1995, an unknown pathway lies before us. We have never passed this way before. But with our hand in the Father's hand, we who know the Lord must let him lead the way.

Let's resolve to combat these evils: cults, gangs, rising crime rates, drug abuse, unemployment, teenage pregnancy, school drop-outs, child abuse, intergenerational poverty and others. On the other hand, here are some responses to those evils: angry outbursts, materialism, gossip, pursuit of pleasure, shooting and killing.

1994 is behind us - finished. Let the New Year ring in truth, love and peace.

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