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## Alan Keyes declares his candidacy for nations'highest office

servative radio talk show host, newspaper columnist, and author from Maryland has declared his candidacy to be the nation's first African-American Republican candidate for President of the United

Keyes was in Greenville at the Pitt/Greenville Airport recently as he was drumming up support for a mock presidential poll that was held in Durham recently. He announced a platform against abortion and affirmative action, and for a return of the marriage-based two-parent household. A husband and father of three children, Keyes

United Nations Economic and Social Council and assistant secretary of state for International Organizations under former President Ronald Reagan. He has served as interim president at Alabama A&M University, and has two failed attempts to represent Maryland in the U.S. Senate.

In announcing his candidacy, Keyes is hopeful of receiving strong support from pro-life groups. "I believe firmly that the crisis we face today in this country is rooted in moral problems that manifest themselves particularly in the breakdown of the marriage-based,

"That is in turn driven, not just by economic factors, but by moral factors, including the fact that we have adopted as a constitutional principal this tragic doctrine of abortion, which then allows people to disregard the rights and life of their unborn human offspring."

Keyes also opposes affirmative action quotas and statistical preferences. "The civil rights movement was founded in order to end discrimination, not in order to perpetuate it, "he said. "And if we are then going to adopt for, for any reason whatsoever, a principle of discrimination, we are violating

the civil rights movement. Anything that violates that is re-establishing discrimination and, in the end, that re-establishment will work against everyone."

Keyes said that race has not been a major factor in his campaign, adding that people who share his beliefs are coming aboard. "That s what politics is about... people getting together who care about the same things and right now-in this countrymany people care deeply about the damaging effect that excessive government expansion !as had on our family system and institutions and they want to restore this society to the kind of principles that will strengthen and build the fam-

ily... instead of destroying it." 'I am making a conscious effort as I go around to reach out to folks in the African-American community, but that's not so much because of race as because I think the black American community has been devastated by the collapse of the family structure." "African Americans allied with Republicans from the end of the Civil War to the Depression and shifted in the 1960's to the Democratic Party," he said. "I think what we are seeing now finally is that black voters are going to start coming into their own and, instead of voting a historic allegiance, they are going to be voting based on the values they believe... I think that's going to be good for the black community and good for the country."

Keyes also supports getting tough on crime, as well as school choice that will allow parents to place their children where their own religious values and beliefs are taught. He advocates criminal punishment that injures the offender's pride, and believes that welfare reform should focus on promoting marriage, and going after "hit-and-run" dads. Marriage establishes a solid foundation whereby parents can develop the partnership, develop work, and

provide a nurturing environment Said Keyes, "This is not something new. It's just common sense. I think we need to re-establish the standard and enforce it with praise, blame, shame. To tell people, look them in the eye, if you're going to have babies, you've got to get married. If you don't, you're going to run into disapproval. and shame...period."

"He has all the credentials we are looking for in a presidential candidate," said Pete Mazzei, chairman of Pitt County Right-To-Life. "I feel Dr. Keyes is a much stronger candidate than people realize because he has the ability to draw all of the black votes out of the Democratic party. I think if Dr. Alan Keyes were elected president of the United States... he would be a president that the black and white Americans would be

proud of.' Lorraine Shinn, Chairwoman of the Pitt County Replublicans Party, said the party remains neutral until after the primaries, but that Keyes and minorities have a place in the Republican Party. "I'm glad to see him enter the race. I think there is a message there that the Republican Party is not exclusionary to minorities. I think most are conservative and familyoriented and very involved in their religious communities. We haven't reached into the minority community like we should, but we're going to try and I think this is a good start."

Jim Rouse, local Republican, pledged support to Keyes. He said, "Number One because he's black and he'll be about to sit down to the table with a Newt Gingrich and a Bob Dole and negotiate. As long as we're away from the table. we can't negotiate. But I think Mr. Keyes, as he goes around the country, will be able to muster support... to go to that table and give the conscience and concerns of black folk." "It's going to be a difficult climb up the hill for Mr. Keyes.

## Quote:

"The political philosophy of Black nationalism means that the Black man should control the politics and the politicains in his own community; no more."

Malcolm X

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No question... I don't think America is ready for an African American on that high level just yet. But I do think we here on the county level and state level must become more involved in order to muster the support of white folk to bring Keyes to the table."



LAN & EYES. (L) PRESIDENTIAL CANDIDATE, LORRAINE SHINN (C) Chairwoman (Fig. County Republicans, and Jim Rouse (R) local African-American republican.

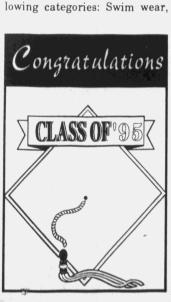
## D & A hosts first annual Black **Business Men's Fashion Show**

D & A Fashions, presented the Casual wear, Lounging wear, Exapproximately 500 were in atten-First Annual Blak Business Men's ecutive wear and "After Five" wear. dance. D & A Fashions looks for-Greenville, Saturday, May 20, 1995. "The purpose of the fashion show", according to Mr. & Mrs. Danny Stancil, owners of D & Fashions, "was to highlight the black businesses of Greenville and surrounding areas, with special emphasis on the positive image of the black entrepreneurs and their impact on all of us". Now, more than at any other time in American history, the Black business is in need of help. As we've always done, we look to the church for help in asking our brothers and sisters to support the black businesses of our community.

We encouraged our brothers and sisters to come out and support the fashion show and meet the various business men, so that we could be made aware of their specialties and/or the services they render. There were a total of 63 businesses represented at the fashion show, along with 23 vendors and 48 models.

Pastor James Tripp, pastor of Holly Hill Church, offered the invocation. Ms. Joy Brown, Joy 1340 Radio Station personality, and Ms. Carole Johnson were the mistresses of ceremonies. Mrs. Molly 5. Davis gave words of welcome to everyone in attendance. Mr. Henry Aldridge stated the purpose of the event. Music was provided by Eddie Atkinson and Minister Gary

Fashions were worn in the fol-





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## from the desk of Mrs. Beatrice Maye

Excerpts from: Black Children-Their Roots Culture, and Learning Styles by Janice E., Hale

Has the American educational system been effective in educating Black children?

Black people are products of their Afro-American heritage and culture.

Can we build a bridge between the Natural learning styles utilized in the family and the novel style of learning introduced in the school?

Black child-rearing has a strong

religious orientation.
W. E. B. DuBois claims that the Black church is the center of social intercourse to a degree unknown in white churches, Ex., We have a man who 18 a janitor all week but at church is a member of the trustee board and obtains expertise in financial matters.

The church is the hub of social life for the involved.

Grandparents usually must fend for themselves during their last helpless years or be sent to an old people's home surrounded by strange people and impersonal relationship.

Black children enter school with excitement and enthusiasm.

Self-confidence is fostered through frequent compliments and praise.

Eating junk foods and foods that are loaded with sugar and carbohydrates can create behavioral problems.

Black males perfect a special walk, place value on being "cool" (unflappable), cultivate destructive handshake and slang, share common manhood rites (playing the dozens, woofing fighting and vying for sports prowess), and Socialize each other into characteristic approaches toward authority figures and women.

Black teachers are better able to discipline Black children because they emerge from a culture com-

mon to Black students.

Black children are educatio

Black children are educationally at risk.

#### Quotes

1. "Husbands and wives are like fires, They go out if unattended.

2. "There's no pleasure in having nothing to do; the fun is having lots to do and not doing it".

3. "Why is it that the people who have an hout to waste usually try to spend it with someone who does not?"

4. Skillful listening is the best re medy for loneliness, loquaciousness and laryngitis.".

## The Impoverished Black Family

In a recent study, the Children's Defense fund found that, compared to white children, black children are twice as likely to:

Die in the first year of life
 Be born prematurely

3. Hav a mother who received

late or no parental care
4. Be born to a teenage or singleparent family

5. Live insubstantial housing 6. Be suspended from school or suffer corporal punishment

7. Be unemployed as teenagers 8. Live in an institution

They are three times as likely

to:

Be poor
 Have their mother die in childbirth

3. Live with a parent separated from a spouse
4. Live in a female-headed fam-

5. Be murdered between five and nine years of age

6. Be in foster care

7. Die of known child abuse

Four times as likely to:

1. Live with neither parent and be supervised by a child Welfare agency

2. Be murdered before one year or as a teenager

3. Be jailed between 15 and 19 years of age

Tive times as likely to:

1. Be dependent on Welfare
2. Become pregnant as a teenager

Twelve times as likely to:
1. Live with a parent who never narried

## Parents bear burden of preparing students

#### To the editor:

These are the times that try educators, yes, parents' souls - for far too many boys and girls are not using their time wisely in school-homework suffers, giggling, talking, behavior that is unacceptable, behavior that interrupts teaching and learning by those students who want to learn.

What part does a parent play in his child's school day? Who encourages and sees that his child behaves at school, that he does his homework and makes good grades, or at least is quiet and attentive?

Do we ask: Tell me about school today? Were you put outside the door for bad behavior? Did you sit quietyly and respond in class? Were you sent to the principal's office? Let me see your homework.

Parents, do you attend teacher conferences? Most time the parents who need to go never show up. Do you visit the school? Your child's classes? Do you know his teachers? Does he know you'll follow up on bad behavior at home? Do you limit TV viewing? Are we using wisely what we have? Wake up, parents and send teachers students who go to school to learn. Disciplined children at home will be disciplined children at school.

Beatrice Maye Greenville



MRS. BEATRICE MAYE

## Obituary

Eva Carmon Maye

Mitchell's Funeral Home announces the death of Mrs. Eva Carmon Maye age 72 of 1608-A Hopkins Drive, Greenville, who died at her home Saturday, May

Funeral services were held Thursday at 3:00 p.m. at Zion Hill Free Will Baptist church, Ayden with Elder B.R. Anderson officiating. Burial followed in the Zion Hill Church Cemetery in Ayden.

Mrs. Maye was a native of Pitt County and attended the County Schools. She was a member of Zion Hill Free Will Baptist Church.

Hill Free Will Baptist Church.
She is survived by her husband,
June Maye of Greenville; two
daughters; Eva L. Maye of
Greenville and Connie J. Tyson of
Bell Arthur; six sons, Glenwood E.
Maye, Donnie J. Maye and Lenvia
R. May, all of Greenville, Leonder
Maye of Ayden, Solomon May and
John J. Maye, both of GermanTown, Md; two sisters, Mae Bell
Hines and Fonnie Bell Blount, both
of Ayden; 22 grandchildren; 13
great-granchildren; a number of
nieces, nephews, other relatives
and friends.

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#### Brian Goings wins Heart Association's Poster Contest



The Pitt County Division of the American Heart Association sponsored a T-shirt design contest. More than 90 posters were submitted from area schools participating in the "Jump Rope for Heart" project.

Selecting the winnning posters for 1st, 2nd and 3rd place was an extremely difficult task for the committee because all the posters were very creative and truly reflected the spirit of the American Heart Walk.

The first place winner was Brian Goings, a 4th grader at Stokes Elementary School. Brian, 9 year old son of evangelist Marie Goings, was awarded a \$100 savings bond and his design appears on the American Heart Walk T-shirt. We are all very proud of Brian and encourage him to continue to work to realize all his dreams. Our staff

photographer found Brian and his 2 year old friend, Nigel in the downtown Greenville Mall enjoying the pleasant

spring weather.



## Public Works Open House

Greenville Citizens have the opportunity to see the Public Works Department up-close at an "Open House" Wednesday, May 24. In recognition of National Public Works Week, May 21-27, the Public Works Facility, located at 1500 Beatty Street, will offer a first-hand look at the City's operations and equipment. Citizen's are encouraged to meet the Public works staff and learn more about the professionals who maintain and improve the systems and vital services that protect our health, safety, and comfort.

Greenville's Mayor, Nancy Jenkins recognizes the significance of the week saying, "Maintaining public facilities and services is a wise investment in our quality of life. The support of an understanding and informed Citizenry is vital to the efficient operation of the Greenville Public Works Department." This year's theme is "Working in the Public Interest." The "Open House" will take place from 8 am to 4 pm.



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## "Sleep experts on call" offers free advice for sweet dreams

Health Professionals to Answer Questions Around-the-Clock on 800-SHUTEYE Hotline

Can't sleep? Free help from sleep experts will be just a phone call away during the second week of call 800-SHUTEYE around-the-

May, which is Better Sleep Month. Those seeking better sleep can



**BENJAMIN DIXON,** manger of Chic Filet, and John Taylor, owner/operator of a Taste of Heaven, in the Carolina East Mall "Stood Tall" recently at an affair recently which highlighted black business entrepreneurs. "Way to go, Staff Photo: Jim Rouse

## **NCDA** issues warning against boiled peanuts

"Consumers are cautioned

against purchasing and consum-

ing any homeprocessed, low acid

canned foods," said state Agricul-

ture Commissioner dim Graham.

"We're taking every step possible

to ensure protection for consum-

The home-canned peanuts hold

the potential for the growth of

Clostridium botulinum, a bacte-

rium which can produce a potentially deadly toxin, NCDA officials

said. Low acid canned foods pro-

cessed commercially must comply with specific regulations to ensure

RALEIGH - Consumers jars which have been distributed. should avoid eating boiled peanuts produced by a Fallston (Cleveland County) company because of the potential for contracting botulism, a deadly bacteria poisoning, according to the North Carolina Department of Agriculture.

The home-canned boiled peanuts, produced by Robert Beam, are labeled, in part, Hot Boiled Peanuts, Old Timey Flavor; and Boiled Peanuts, Old Timey Fla-

The products are packed in quart-sized home canning jars and have no coding information, according to officials with NCDA's Food and Drug Protection Division. The products are distributed primarily to convenience stores in Western North Carolina. The exact amount manufactured and distributed is not known.

NCDA has ordered Beam to cease manufacture and distribution of the products and recall all

#### May is Stroke Awareness Month

Paralysis, loss of speech and loss of memory are among the disabling outcomes of brain attack, commonly known as stroke. Among the estimated 500,000 people each year who survive brain attack, many were unaware of the warning signs, according to the American Heart Association

May is Stoke Awareness Month. This year's theme is "Stroke is a Brain Attack. Know the Warning Signs." The AHA wants to alert the public about stroke's warning signs and how it might be prevented.

Much of the general public is unfamiliar with the warning signs of a stroke, said Mark Alberts, M.D., chief of the stroke unit at Duke University Medical Center and chair of the American Heart Association Stroke task force. "Stroke must be treated with the same urgency as a heart attack. In order to receive immediate treatment, people must be able to rec-

ognize the warning signs of stroke." The warning signs associated with stroke are:

• sudden weakness or numbness of the face, arm or leg, localized on one side of the body.

• sudden dimness or loss of vi-

sion, particularly in one eye, ·loss of speech or trouble talk-

ing or understanding speech, • sudden, severe headaches with

no apparent cause, ·unexplained dizziness, un-

steadiness or sudden falls, especially when combined with any of the previous symptoms.

If you experience one or more of the warning signs of brain attack, get medical help immediately. Early intervention can minimize damage, and preventive care may reduce the risk of stroke, according to the American Heart Asso-

ciation. A stroke occurs when the blood supply to the brain is cut off. Both stroke and heart attack are diseases of the circulatory system caused by rupturing or blocking of arteries.

clock, from 8 am EDST May 8 to midnight May 14, to speak with physicians or other health professionals experienced in the treatment of sleep problems. While the sleep experts cannot diagnose or recommend a specific treatment over the phone, they can provide helpful information. Sleep experts will be on call to help callers:

Identify symptoms of deep prob-

Learn about lifestyle adjustments to overcome temporary sleeplessness

Understand the treatment options available

Actor/producer Tony Randall who has suffered from deep problems introduces the hotline with a message about the importance of sleep and offers tips for better rest while callers wait to speak with a sleep expert.

'Insomnia is agony. You lie wide awake watching the darkness turn to light," says Tony Randall. "When you can't sleep, you can't function the next day...you're a zombie! You don't have to feel that way. There is help out there."

"Some people may not seek professional intervention for their sleep problems because they have to wait until the next morning, when the immediate crisis is over, to get help. This 24-hour service provides a rare opportunity for people to take a first step in seeking professional attention exactly when the sleep problem is occurring," says Margaret Moline, Ph.D., Director of the Sleep-Wake Disorders Center at New York Hospital Cornell Medical Center,

will be answering the hotline.

"Sleep Experts on Call" can also provide information to callers who need help during the daytime, such as those trying to determine whether they should see a physician for a sleep problem, who are suffering from excessive daytime sleepiness, or who are anticipating trouble sleeping that night.

In addition to receiving free advice from sleep experts, 800-SHUTEYE callers can request a free brochure providing helpful tips for improving sleep.

The program, "Sleep Experts on Call" is being sponsored in recognition of Better Sleep Month as a public service by Searle through its existing sleep information hotline. At the end of the oneweek "Sleep Experts on Call" program, 800-SHUTEYE will revert to its usual format as a Searlesponsored service, providing callers with an opportunity to take a computerized quiz to help them determine whether they have a sleep problem and to order the fee brochure providing tips to improve

Health professionals participating in "Sleep Experts on Call" are affiliated with the

following institutions: City College of New York Sleep Disorders Center; Sleep Disorders Center, Columbia-Presbyterian

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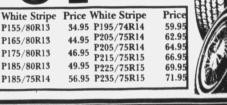
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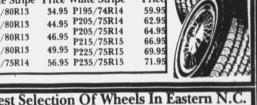
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# House passes Law Enforcement Officer Assault Bill

RALEIGH - Gov. Jim Hunt's proposal to lengthen sentences for anyone who uses a firearm to assault a law enforcement officer

passed the state House this week. On Tuesday, the House passed a bill - proposed by Hunt - to lengthen the sentences a judge



6 am-9am Calvin Jones 9am-4pm Joy brown 4pm-8pm Min. Gary Lee 8pm-12 am Nancia Nettles

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can hand down for those who as- Hunt's 1995 crime-fighting effort sault a law enforcement officer. If passed by the Senate, the new law would go into effect Dec. 1.

"North Carolina's law enforcement officers are on the front lines every day, protecting our peace of mind, our families and our communities," Hunt said. "This bill sends a strong signal that we won't tolerate anyone threatening our

In addition to this bill, Gov. ond-degree murder, rape and

to toughen sentences, build more prisons and protect families and victims of crime includes:

• Providing \$100 million this year to build some 1,600 more prison beds. This would be the first phase of a 3,800-bed, \$200 million prison construction program to be phased in over four years. • Toughening sentences for violent felonies including secarmed robbery;

• Repealing the prison cap; • Allowing for the privatization of prisons; • Using existing prison space more efficiently, including double-bunking in single cells; • Enacting a Victim's rights amendment to the state constitution, guaranteeing victims the right to be heard in court, and the right to be informed of and involved in court proceedings related to their case (passed the Senate); • In-

creasing victims' restitution collection, allowing more victims to be reimbursed for their losses, and requiring mandatory victim impact statements to let judges know what a victim has gone through before handing down a criminal's sentence; • Mandatory registration and notification of convicted sex offenders, so communities will know exactly who is in their midst; Requiring criminal background checks for day care providers and foster parents.

## Award given to Governor James B. Hunt and former Senator Marvin Ward

vention Coalition of North Carolina is pleased to announce the recipients of the 1995 Luther "Nick" Jeralds Advocacy Award. This award was established in 1991 to honor the commitment and investments of the late Representative Jeralds to adolescent pregnancy prevention policies and pro-

The Adolescent Pregnancy Pregrams in North Carolina. Representative Jeralds was the Co-Chair of the Legislative Study Commission which gave birth to our state grant programs for local adolescent pregnancy prevention projects. He was a board member of the Coalition and an inspiration to all advocates working to reduce adolescent pregnancy. The 1995 recipients of the "Jeralds Advocacy Award" are Governor James B. Hunt, Jr. and former North Carolina Senator Marvin Ward of Winston-Salem. Both of these individuals have been significant supporters of policies and programs which support prevention. They have provided leadership and courage to ensure North Carolina's premier position in developing and funding prevention programs and in promoting the need for a strong, effective state Coalition which is now a national model for other states. It is with pride that we recognize the accomplishments of Governor Hunt and Senator Marvin at our awards ceremony on May 24, 1995 at 12:00 at the Brownestone Hotel in Raleigh as a part of the 10th Anniversary Conference of the Adolescent Pregnancy Prevention Coalition of North Carolina

#### **PUBLIC NOTICE**

Ever wonder what roads are to be widened or when? What public transportation is available to you? When will our greenway trail be constructed? If you have these or similar quuestions, then we need you to review and comment on the Greenville Urban Area Draft Local Transportation Improvement Program (LTIP). This urban area consist s of the City of Greenville and Winterville.

The LTIP identifies project schedules and available funds for planned improvements to our highways, bridges, railroad crossings, bicycle paths and public transportation system.

Starting May 15, 1995, the draft LTIP will be available for public review and comment. The comment period will last for 30 days until June 13, 1995. At the end of the comment period, hte Metropolitan Planning Organization (MPO) will consider the draft LTIP for adoption and send recommendations to North Carolina Department of Transport tation (NCDOT) for inclusion in the State TransportationImprovement Program (STIP).

To obtain a copy of the draft LTIP, please visit the Public Works Department of the City of Greenville at 1500 Beatty Street during regular working hours, or call the Engineering division at (919) 830-4476.

## NC businesses visited by the IRS

Greensboro—The Greensboro District of the Internal Revenue Service (IRS) is joining a nationwide coordinated compliance ef-

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transactions are being properly reported. We expect to make numerous contacts statewide on May 22, 23, and 24, 1995, to see if businesses are complying with federal law

that requires them to report cash

payments of more than \$10,000,"

fort to determine whether currency

said J.R. Starkey, district director of the IRS. "Twelve teams of agents will visit various businesses who deal in large ticket items." Studies in other areas of the country have shown that a significant number of businesses were failing to report to the IRS cash

transactions of more than \$10,000. Since 1985, persons who receive more than \$10,000 in cash, in connection with their trade or businesses, must file Form 8300, Report of Cash Payments Over \$10,000 Received In a Trade or Business, with the IRS. The form 8300 must be filed within 15 days

after the date of the transaction. By January 31 of the year after the transaction year, the recipient of the cash must furnish to each

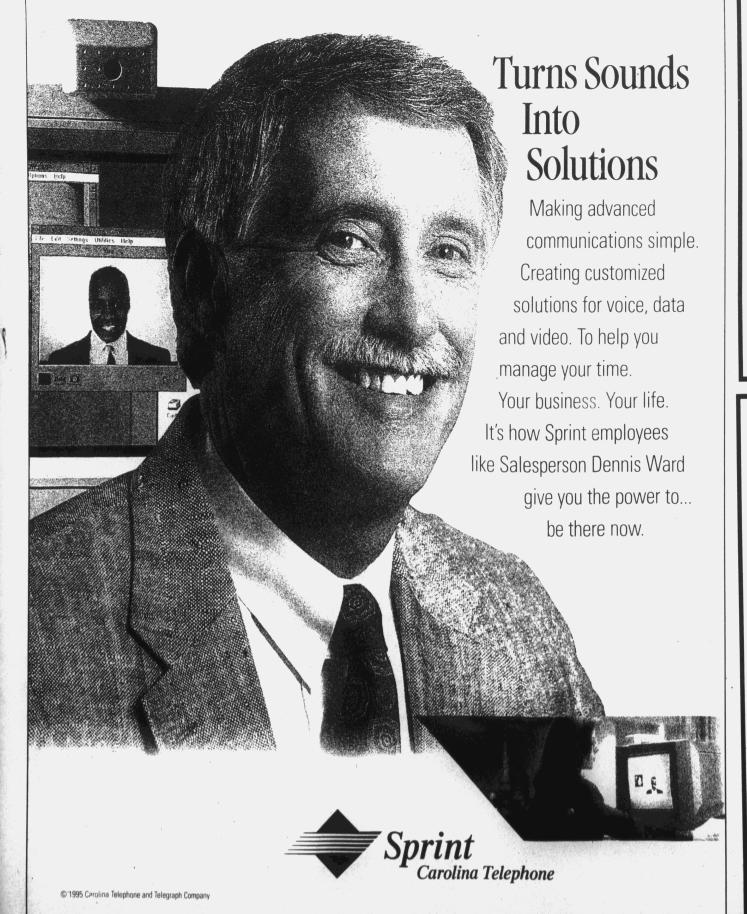
totaling the amounts received some credit unions, and casinos.

from the payer during the preceding calendar year. A separate form 8300 must be filed for each transaction where the purchaser makes a series of cash installment payments that total more than \$10,000 in one year.

A penalty of \$50 may be imposed for each failure to file the form, and civil penalties of up to 10 percent of the unreported cash can be added. If it appears that the noncompliance is willful, the case may be referred to the Criminal Investigation Division for a more in-depth investigation. Criminal penalties, if imposed, could include a fiveyear prison term and up to a \$250,000 fine (\$500,000 for corporations).

Also, as part of the compliance effort, certain non-bank financial institutions will have compliance reviews to determine whether they are complying with the filing of Form 4789, Currency Transaction Report, for cash transactions of more than \$10,000. Non-bank financial institutions include check cashers, issuers of money orders and travelers' checks, wire service companies, currency exchangers,

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### THE "M"-VOICE- WEEK OF MAY 26 - JUNE 4, 1995-9 Smart Start receives \$1 million Gift from BB&

RALEIGH — Gov. Jim Hunt Wilson and Robeson counties. two announced today that Branch of the 12 counties slated to get Banking & Trust has given \$1 Smart Start next year if the Genmillion to Smart Start efforts in eral Assembly provides state fund-

Hunt and John Allison, chairman and CEO of BB&T's parent company, Southern National

Corp., announced the two \$500,000 gifts at news conferences at the Hattie Daniels Day Care Center in Wilson and at the First Presbyterian Church day care center in Lumberton.

"BB&T and John Allison know that we have to help children in Wilson and Robeson come to school healthy and ready to learn if we want to build a better workforce and a stronger economy," Hunt said. "They know a good investment when they see one - and they know Smart Start is a good investment."

The \$1 million cash gift will be spread over a period of five years with \$100,000 to Wilson and \$100,000 to Robeson each year. Smart Start funds are administered by the N.C. Partnership for Children, the public-private partnership that oversees Smart Start.

"The reason that we are making

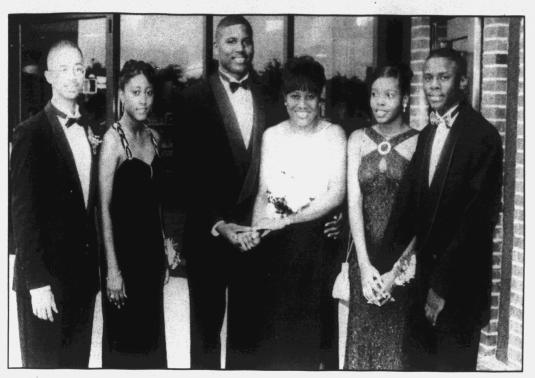
this contribution is because we believe improving the quality and effectiveness of preschool education for underprivileged children is critical to the future economic success and social wellbeing of the Carolinas," Allison said. "In addition we believe that the Smart Start program is an excellent vehicle for accomplishing this pur-

BB&T's gift was the first corporate commitment to Smart Start. Wachovia Bank & Trust co., First Union Corp., NationsBank and Glaxo Inc. have pledged \$7 million. So far private sector contributions to the N.C. Partnership for Children and to local Smart Start partnerships exceed \$14 million, including cash and in-kind contributions.

Smart Start provides quality child care, health care and other critical services to preschoolers and

their families with local businesses, churches, non-profits and government leaders deciding how best to serve local children. The public-private effort is now underway in 32 counties, and Hunt has asked the General Assembly to expand Smart Start to 12 more counties next year.

In less than two years, Smart Start has had tangible results. More than 8,600 children have gotten child care subsidies so their parents can work. More than 55,000 children have gotten higher quality child care with better trained teachers and quality incentives to child care centers. More than 25,000 children have gotten early intervention and preventive health screenings. More than 150,000 children have gotten immunizations against childhood dis-



THESE HIGH SCHOOL STUDENTS take a breather from year-end exams to enjoy their prom night and look forward to graduation and summer vacations. Ah, those fun-filled lazy, hazy days of summer!!! Staff photo: Jim Rouse

## **Golf Tournament benefits** Asthma camp

GREENVILLE—A golf tournament was held May 19 at Indian Trails Golf Course in Grifton and sponsored by the American Lung Association and respiratory therapists at Pitt County Memorial Hospital to benefit Camp Sea Breathe, a new summer camp for youth with asthma. All proceeds will go toward camp tuition for children who need assistance. Camp Sea Breathe is a week-long camp sponsored by the American Lung Association for boys and girls ages 8-14 with asthma. Prompted by the success of asthma camps in the western and central parts of the state, the camp is the first of its kind in eastern North Carolina, where 23,000 children—the highest incidence in the state—suffer from asthma. The camp will be held in Arapahoe in August with activities like horseback riding, canoeing and swimming, as well as sessions that teach campers how to take care of themselves and control their disease. The camp is staffed by doctors, nurses and respiratory therapists trained to deal with the special medical needs of children with asthma.

According to Wanda Marlowe,

#### Hospital to honor trauma victims families

The Pitt County Memorial Hospital Trauma Center will hold a memorial ceremony on Sunday, May 21 at 4 p.m. on the hospital grounds between the Heart Center and emergency department entrances

A tree will be planted to recognize those who have been impacted by trauma or physical injury. Former trauma patients and their family members are encouraged to attend.

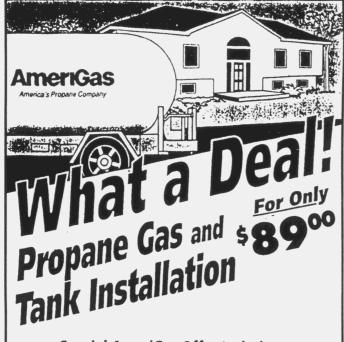
### Neonatal graduate party

The 15th annual Neonatal Intensive Care Unit Graduate Party is planned for Saturday, May 13 from 11 a.m. to 2 p.m. at Lake Laupus, beside the Brody Medical Sciences Building. The party is held each year to unite fonner patients and the staff who cared for them during their hospitalization.

The event is sponsored by the staff of the neonatal intensive care and intermediate care units.

manager of respiratory care at PCMH, many asthmatic children have self-esteem problems because they feel left out of activities that are routine for other children. She said many parents prevent asthmatic children from exercising because they fear it will harm the child. "Children with asthma need exercise," said Marlowe. "They just need to learn how to manage their asthma when they exercise. "That's what Camp Sea Breathe is all about. Not only is it an opportunity for children with asthma to attend summer camp, it's highly educational. The things these campers learn will improve their health, self-esteem and social skills, and give them more freedom. Asthma is a chronic but

manageable."Marlowe asthma is the number one reason children miss school. She said the disease is on the rise, and so is the number of children dying from it, despite many new drugs available to treat it. "We need to get these kids back in the mainstream of America," she said. Tuition for Camp Sea Breathe is \$245, but Marlowe said the benefits are proven. "It's preventive medicine," she said. "Data shows that this type of camp reduces doctor visits, hospital stays, lost school days and lost wages by parents who miss work so they can take their children to the doctor or stay home with them when they're sick." Campers must be referred by their doctor. For more information call 816-5722



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## "Coalition Recognizes Teen Pregnancy Prevention Programs in NC"

problem that requires multiple, comprehensive interventions. No one program can solve the problem and solutions must be long term and based upon research validating effectiveness.

In the Fall of 1994, APPCNC called for nominations from North Carolina prevention programs which met the following criteria: outstanding impact and outcome data, creativity of the project goals and objectives, clarity, collaborative efforts, replication potential, and continued viability

In celebration of APPCNC's tenth anniversary, we want to share with you ten North Carolina programs as well as a special statewide award which have been selected by an APPCNC committee to receive recognition as a "Best 10 Practice Model on Adolescent Pregnancy Prevention.'

Thanks to the APPCNC Awards Committee for their hard work and dedication to select those programs. "10 Best Practice Models"

#### The Community Council Caldwell Council on Adolescent Health

Pat Webb Council on Adolescents of Catawba County - JoAnn

It is the job of the Local Council to coordinate prevention efforts for the entire community. The Caldwell Council on Adolescent Health, founded in 1982, and the Council on Adolescents of Catawba County, founded in 1986, both work to promote multiple strategies. Some of the Caldwell Council's efforts include: an Infor-

Teen pregnancy is a complex mation and Referral Nurse to provide health and high-risk prevention education, counseling, and case management in each of the schools; a Health Educator who reaches every 7th and 9th grade student through PSI curricula; a Kids on the Block Puppet Show presented to 5th graders; an adolescent pregnancy prevention media campaign; and a newly founded Adolescent Advocacy Council. The  $Council\,on\,Adolescents\,of\,Catawba$ County provides the following services: abstinence based sexuality education to students in three school systems and one private school at no cost; a monthly forum for youth serving agencies on issues related to teens; a comprehensive library and resource center with over 700 books, 200 videos, journals, etc. dealing with the issues of teens and their families; awareness programs about adolescent, health issues for civic clubs, churches, organizations, conferences, seminars and the media; and a Teen Council which provides services to the commu-

#### Making sure it doesn't happen again.

Cycle Busters - Wake County DSS - Nancy H. Godwin

· Hand To Hand - Catholic Social Services - Constance C. McVey Over 40% of teenage pregnancies are repeat pregnancies and the dynamics of preventing repeat pregnancy are complex. Cycle Busters, in the Wake County Department of Social Services, which

is a component of the JOBS pro-

of approximately 225 teen mothers. Services offered include: skills and aptitude assessments; career counseling; information about school choices; referrals to resources for assistance with educational plans, child day care; and seminars on topics of interest to a teen mother such as parenting skills, family planning, health, and life management skills. A unique aspect of Cycle Busters is the emphasis on the clients' social and emotional needs as well as academic needs. Mentors from the business community enhance selfesteem and motivate the teen parents to avoid a repeat pregnancy and earn a high school diploma or its equivalent. Hand to Hand is a community based mentoring of Catholic Social Services of Winston-Salem offering direct services to pregnant and parenting adolescents and their families. It seeks to develop, strengthen and maintain support for a teen by matching her with a trained adult mentor for a long-term, intensive relationship. The project's strengths lie in its practical, people-oriented approach to a complex and pervasive problem.

#### **Motivating through** Mentoring

• Choices For Success - Alliance for Children & Youth and Gaston County Schools -

Anne M. Elam

• Wise Guys - Family Life Council of Greater Greensboro - Cynthia

The impact of role models on young teens can be very successful if utilized effectively. Choices for gram, serves a target population

Success, working with young students, and Wise Guys, working with males using adult mentors as their role model, are two exemplary programs that have achieved great success in reaching young adolescents. Choices for Success is a comprehensive primary prevention program which seeks to reduce adolescent pregnancy, enhance school performance, and strengthen family ties for children. The Family Life Education and Academic Assessment Programs include basic instruction in the Gaston County School's family life curriculum. Also included are homework help, mentors/tutors, parent workshops and conferences, recreational activities, health screenings, referrals for special assistance and volunteer activities. Wise Guys targets young men between the ages of 10 and 15, teaching the concept of self-responsibility, primarily in the area of sexual development, through multi-session workshops. Program topics include: self-esteem; personal and family values; enhancing communication skills; anatomy and reproduction; abstinence; contraception; the dangers of sexually transmitted diseases; goal-setting; decision making; and parenthood.

#### Access to Family Planning and Healthcare

• Division of Adolescent Health Services - Greene County Health Care, Inc. -Helen Hill

• Rutherford County Adolescent Pregnancy Prevention Project Rutherford County

Health Department- Sherry

Over 70% of High School seniors in North Carolina report that they are sexually active. The majority of our adolescents have no medical home. Access to health care and family planning services must be a significant component of the prevention of adolescent pregnancy. The Division of Adolescent Health Services, Greene County Health Care, facilitates access to health care for adolescents in Greene's rural community where many households have limited or no means of transportation. Greene County Health Care school based clinic offers programs in the following categories: primary care; health education and risk management; mental health; preventive services; and specialized projects.

The Rutherford Coutny Health Department also works to improve health care and family planning. Through the enhancement of family planning services for teens in the context of a specialized clinic approach, a broad range of adolescent health needs can be addressed, as well as provide an effective entry point to the broader health and social service system.

#### Knowledge is Power

• Stepping Stones To Better Living: Responsible Decisions -New Hanover County

Schools- E. Gail Bryan · Guilford County Department of Public Health Adolescent Preg-

nancy Prevention

Project- Lynne Beck In research conducted by APPCNC in 1993, 90% of parents support comprehensive family life

education in our schools. Our youth deserve accurate, age appropriate sexuality education and opportunities for counseling and support from providers to make responsible sexuality decisions. Steping Stones to Better LIving, a project of the New Hanover County Schools, and the Guilford County Department of Public Health are reaching young people through education and counseling in innovative ways. Stepping Sones to Better Living: Responsible Decisions, an effective curriculum, is presented to 7th and 8th grade students. In addition to human reproduction the curriculum teaches assertiveness and decision making skills. The program also teaches students about sexual pressure and sex roles and encourages students to choose abstinence until marriage. It also provides information about contraception and sexually transmitted diseases. The Guilford County Department of Public Health's adolescent pregnancy prevention project utilizes two key components to address its objectives of reducing adolescent pregnancy. These components involve the provision of full-time school-based health services at two middle schools which emphasize identification, long-term tracking and intervention activities for targeted teens as well as broad-based community involvement and education efforts. By offering workshops, training sessions, special projects, and media coverage, more people become aware of the implications and/or problems of adolescent pregnancy.

