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Minority loan rate decried

The Community Reinvestment Association of North Carolina charges that First Citizens has done little to improve its lending record to minorities.

By Joel B. Obermayer
Staff writer for the
News & Observer

Alleging that First Citizens Bancshares has done little to improve its lending record in minority and low-income communities, a Raleigh-based watchdog group has filed a challenge to First Citizens' recent purchase of another bank.

The Community Reinvestment Association of North Carolina maintains that for years First Citizens has received fewer applications from minorities and denied a higher percentage of loans than it ought to. It has asked the Federal Reserve Bank of Richmond to halt First Citizens' acquisition of Sanford-based Allied Bank Capital while its lending performance is reviewed. A ruling on the challenge is expected to take two or three months.

Andrew Foster, executive director of CRANC, said his group based its challenge on an analysis of three years of mortgage lending data that First Citizens provided to the federal government to comply with

the Community Reinvestment Act, as well as concerns about other issues like bank branch closures and business lending.

"Year after year their record hasn't improved, it's slipped," Foster said. "They're really underperforming the market."

First Citizens spokesman Chris Bubin said he could not comment because the bank had not received notice of the challenge. He added that the bank had received two consecutive "outstanding" ratings from the Federal Deposit Insurance Corp., the government agency that rates banks on their compliance with the Community Reinvestment Act.

But at least one expert on the subject of minority lending said that those ratings do not ensure a sterling record.

"[First Citizens] can't just use those ratings as a shield," said Ken Thomas, a noted author on CRA compliance. "If CRANC is making those allegations, then you have to take them seriously."

First Citizens signed a three-year agreement with CRANC in

1991 to start a series of programs to increase services and loans in minority communities, Foster said.

"For the bulk of the agreement, they didn't meet the goals that were agreed to."

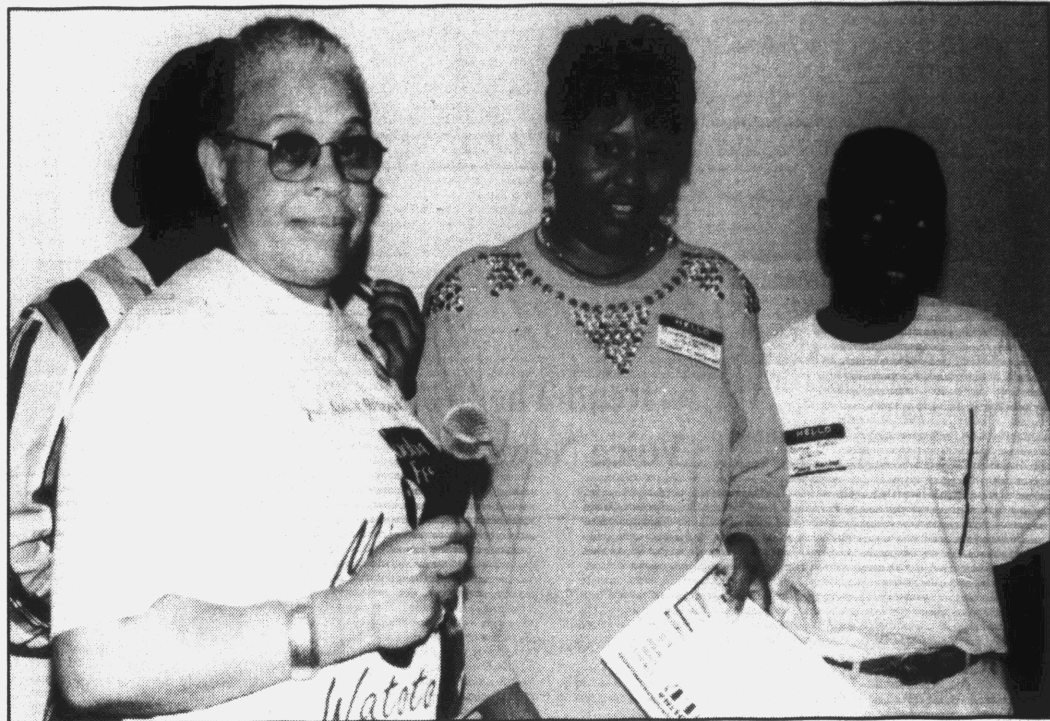
Representatives from First Citizens and CRANC continued meeting regularly until last month, when, Foster said, his group lost patience.

"Our sense is that because of the outstanding rating, they don't believe they need to do anything more," Foster said.

The challenge comes at a time when the increasing pace of bank mergers has focused attention on how mergers will affect lending and services in minority communities. The challenge is the first such action by CRANC since it opposed the merger of NationsBank-then called NCNB-and C&S/Sovran four years ago.

Data recently compiled by The N&O shows that in the Triangle in 1994, First Citizens denied home loan applications to blacks 31 percent of the time, a rate five times

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MS. BARBARA FENNER, EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR OF THE WEST GREENVILLE COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT . . . corporation, (L) is shown with Ms. Annette Goldring (C) and Sammie Koivi (R) members of the WGDCD Board of Directors, during the fourth African-American youth festival . . ."Miss Soko Watoto." Staff photo Jim Rouse

Blacks reminded of Christian heritage

By Stan Alleyne

Too many poor and middle-class black people are becoming complacent and comfortable with their economic status. Others are putting too much faith in political parties that may not even have their best interests in mind, said the president of the General Baptist State Convention of North Carolina Thursday to members of the NAACP.

Dr. Clifford Jones addressed more than 200 people, mostly representatives of NAACP branches from across the state, at a luncheon at Mount Zion Disciples Church. He spoke on this year's state convention theme: Speaking Truth to Power In the Struggle for Political and Economic Development.

Jones, head of a Baptist organization with 1,700 affiliated churches and 450,000 members across the state, was the keynote speaker for "Religious Day," the opening day of the 52nd Annual N.C. State Conference for the NAACP. The convention which is being hosted by the Goldsboro-Wayne County branch of the NAACP will last until Saturday night.

Jones urged blacks not to become complacent with their financial situations.

"For too many of us we have become comfortable being poor middle class," he said. "....The fact of the matter is that, but for the grace of God and charge cards, most of us would be in trouble." He

said black citizens are not saving enough money and do not own enough land. "We are losing too many farms. God's not making any more land," he said.

Jones told the audience to move beyond classism and unite for the betterment of all. "If a few of us who have clout-whatever that is in the economic base, if we're not using that for the betterment of the whole, then we become a part of the problem."

He warned black people of the danger of putting all their allegiance into a political party. He said he was mainly talking about local politics.

"I'm concerned because on a local level I don't find a great deal of difference between Democrats and Republicans as it relates to African-Americans," he said.

"We've got to be careful, you all. We have sold our souls to a politi-

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RADIO STATION WOOW, JOY 1340 . . . recently held a \$1,000 give-a-way. Sister Trelanie Moore, shown here, was the recipient of this blessing. "Just look at God blessing!!!"

Staff photo Jim Rouse

Fathers Adopting Our Young Sons Black men urged to become vigilant adoptive parents

By Alvin Peabody

In 1981, Father George Clements adopted a son and set an example for his Catholic parishioners to adopt homeless children. And after his shining example, hundreds of people began to open their homes for adoption.

"Adoption of young Black males have been something I've been talking about for a very long time," said Clements, founder and director of One Church, One Child, a multi-denominational church-based organization dedicated to finding African American adoptive parents for African American and bi-racial children.

"Hearing our leaders talk about adopting our young sons seems like an answer to my prayers," added Clements, who now serves as the Washington, D.C.-based One Church, One Addict program. Hopefully, our children will get the attention they desperately need."

According to Clements and other social workers, there are nearly 25,000 Black children available for adoption. "We have a lot of Black men in this audience today," said Nation of Islam leader Louis Farrakhan. "I'd hope that they would come forward and offer to adopt our young children."

And sure they did. More than 25,000 hands were raised during the recent Million Man March. "I applaud those valiant brothers who are accepting the challenge of adopting children to form their own families," Father Clements

said.

Rev. James E. Green, a Baptist preacher in Cleveland, said Black men "have just too many problems to get involved in adopting young children. Hopefully, things are going to change, especially as a result of this Million Man March."

For Clements, it really doesn't matter if the person is single. "Love is all that we need," said Clements, whose program has adopted 40,000 youngsters in nearly 39 states. However, he accuses the U.S. Congress of being "prepared to kill dozens of social programs designed to maintain a civilized family. The only time lawmakers seem to address the issue of adoption is to talk about it as an antidote to abortion."

Father Clements explained that when he adopted Joey, his first child, he publicly stated he wanted to get the child that no one else wanted. "I wanted to get a genu-

inely special needs child. But where are the voices being raised for kids like the ones I adopted?" said Clements, who has since added three more boys to his family.

"Hey, I have no children and I've always wanted to adopt a Black child," said Samuel Cowers, a construction worker in Silver Spring. "After this march, I'm going to talk to my wife about adopting not one, but two Black children."

"Twenty-five thousand children!" James Pickett exclaimed when told of the number of Black children available for adoption in the Washington metropolitan area. "Man, something has got to be done about this. This is horrible, and with all these Black men here today?"

On October 16, that was another challenge put forth to the million Black men assembled on the Mall.

Canadian Government repression must be stopped

By Dr. Lenora Fulani

Last week, I was contacted by Kahn-Tineta Horn, a Native Canadian and President of the Canadian Alliance in Solidarity with Native Peoples (CASNP). She informed me of several confrontations that are currently taking place between Canadian police and Native peoples. On June 24th, a standoff had begun in British Co-

lumbia, Canada, between traditionalist members of the Shuswap Nation and the Royal Canadian Mounted Police. Currently, over 200 armed Mounties, armed with M-16s and 9mm automatic pistols have cordoned off a 5200 Square Kilometer section surrounding the Shuswap and are preparing for an armed assault.

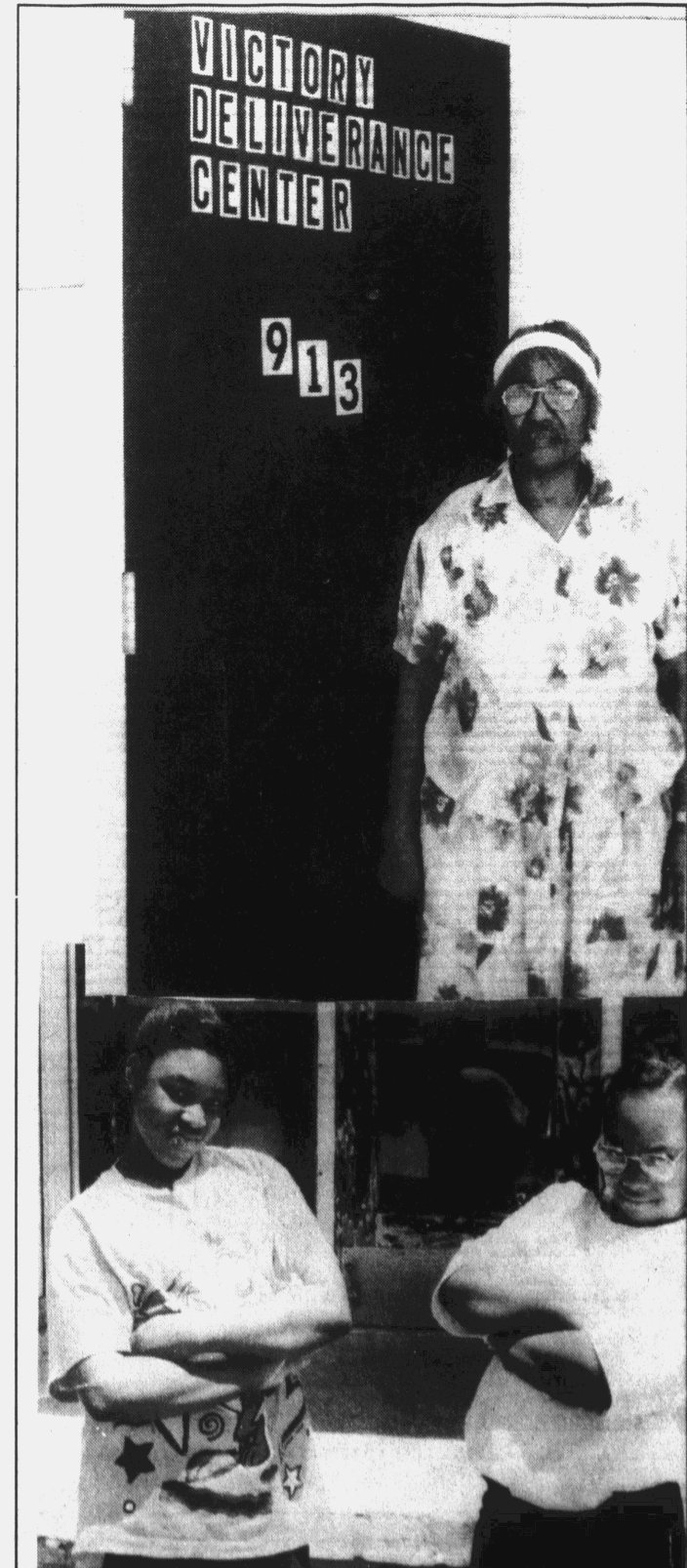
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'The Planter's Manual'

"The Planter's Manual" was prepared after a series of slave revolts that shook a young colonial America. A slave revolt took place in 1708 in Newton, on Long Island. Seven whites were killed, two Black male slaves and one American Indian slave were hanged, one female slave was burned at the stake. A noted slave revolt took place in New York in 1712, where Blacks rose up. Nine whites were killed and 21 slaves were executed.

In 1739, a famous slave revolt in Stono, South Carolina, led by a slave named Jemmy, killed 25 whites before it was put down. These are but a fraction of the documented revolts against slavery. This revolt led to the English banning African slave ships from landing in South Carolina for 10 years. It was felt the infusion of fresh African blood kept remind-

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PASTOR DORETHA BERNARD(TOP) . . . is shown at entrance to the Victory Deliverance Center. (Below) younsters are always welcome

Staff photo Jim Rouse

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cal party that is not responsive to our needs. We've been used time and time and time again." Jones said "speaking the truth" must be defined, refined and redefined with every generation. He urged the delegates to remember their roots—the Christian church. He said churches must come to-

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Minority Loan Rate

higher than for whites. First Citizens' denial rates for blacks was higher than those of First Union, BB&T and Wachovia. It should be noted, however, that denial rates alone do not prove discriminatory lending practices. The N&O also reported that last December, in an internal First Citizens memo, a bank vice chairman warned that if improvements in compliance were not made, "the matter could be turned over to the Department of Justice, which very well could bring aspects of our business to a halt." Bank officials said in an interview later that the statement was made to get employees' attention.

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A prebid conference will be held at 2:00 p.m. on December 6, 1995 at the same location listed above for the bid opening. All known and anticipated prime contractors, subcontractors, material suppliers and other bidders are invited to attend.

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Blacks reminded

gether for the common good. Jones said, "Our young people don't know our history. They don't think you all have done anything. They think it's time for us to step aside. That's because we haven't told them the story." Jones said he tired of hearing positive rhetoric from black leaders with little action following it. "It sounds sweet but it doesn't put bread on the table. It's not providing jobs, nor harmony within the community. Somehow we've got to communicate our struggle and the truth of that struggle with the powers that be," he said. "We can't kiss up to them (the powerful people in the community). We've got to be careful eating from their table because if I feed you and clothe you then I can determine your destiny especially if you're dependent on me, he added. "...There needs to be that holy/unholy alliance with power. We've got to be careful who we cast all of our lot with."

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ing the slaves of who they were. In addition, the state of South Carolina census bureau kept rather accurate stats on the volume of runaway slaves per year. What tribe or region in Africa they came from was listed, along with their English proficiency and their skills, some of which they brought with them from Africa, such as rice growing, indigo (dye) growing and harvesting, fishing and net-making, blacksmith and metal smithing, cotton thread spinning and weaving, etc. Runaways were also listed by color, with mulattos running away least of all, and Blacks running away most of all. (Male, Black - 2,810, [72.6 percent of all runaways] Female, Black-584 [15.1 percent of all runaways] Male, mulatto-55 [1.4 percent of all runaways] female, mulatto-11 [1.3 percent of all runaways]). The official numbers of runaways per year were over 3,000 recorded. The number not recorded could be large as well. Sometimes slaves were caught and sold and

The Planter's Manual

tions, the best cash crops, etc. "The Planter's Manual" also had branding and whipping techniques, torture techniques listed by rope, fire, burying slaves alive, striking terror into slaves by witnessing beatings, etc., and selecting the proper overseer. Suggestions for proper allotment for slaves was also given, such as one blanket every three years, no clothing at all for children under 13. Shoe allotments-one pair a year for adults, none for children. (If your fee grew, too bad, leading some

The Subdivision Review Board will meet on Wednesday, November 8, and Wednesday, November 22, at 4:30 p.m. in the third floor office of Harry V. Hamilton, Jr., which is in the Community Building located on the corner of Fourth and Greene Streets.

The Greenville Board of Adjustment will meet on Thursday, November 16, at 7:00 p.m. in the

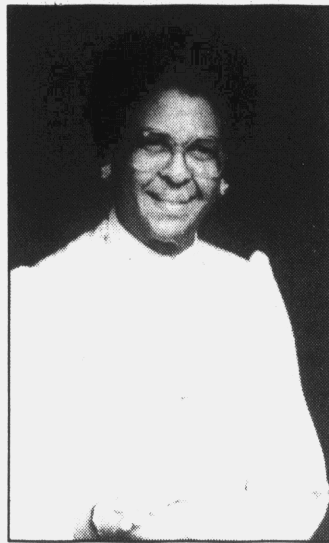
slaves not to wear the painfully small shoes, and slave masters to assume slaves preferred to be bare-footed.) In addition, the Royal African Company, an English slave trading conglomerate, and the South Carolina Gazette, a newspaper, published regular accounts of slave ship captains, and their daring exploits on the African continent and high seas, serving the dual purpose of vilifying the natives and romanticizing the slave trade.

Notices

Council Chambers of the Municipal Building located on the corner of Fifth and Washington Streets.

The Greenville Planning and Zoning Commission will meet on Tuesday, November 21, at 6:30 p.m. in the Council Chambers of the Municipal Building located on the corner of Fifth and Washington Streets.

from the desk of Mrs. Beatrice Maye



BEATRICE MAYE

To the editor -

THANKSGIVING! Not only is it a time to gather the family around and remember that God gives us the great blessings all enjoy - but - Thanksgiving is also a good time to ask ourselves just how thankful we are every day, for everything that is done for us or given to us. In our busy world, appreciation, thankfulness, and gratitude seem to be overlooked all too often, but all of us need to be appreciated and to show appreciation. A sincere "thank you", a pat on the back to a fellow human being who has done a good job, helps you as much as it does the other person. Young folk, your advantages are so great. Show your parents you appreciate their sacrifices - they

deserve your love, respect and appreciation. They deserve a great deal of credit and thanks. Thanksgiving leaves me overwhelmed with gratitude. Gratitude to:God for granting me another yearFor giving me a home and healthFor all the blessings He has provided so abundantlyTo my country, for providing a place where I can live with the freedom to express my thanks as I wishTo my family for knowing all my faults and eccentricities, and accepting me just the sameTo all the others in my life who have encouraged, praised and helped me - their input, tender and timely, has smoothed rough places, melted mountains, and bridged dark canyons of despair -

So, be prompt in paying your debts of gratitude, be aware of small kindnesses and thoughtful words. A few words or a small note of appreciation takes so little time, and yet makes such a big difference in the quality of life. It becomes an endless circle of blessing and gives each day the opportunity to become a little Thanksgiving. "Be thankful unto Him and bless his name" (Psalm 100:4)

Beatrice Maye

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1. Try to pick persons who focus on goals instead of personal adornment. Most boys and girls spend more time combing their hair, looking at TV or videos instead of mu-

sic practice or improving computer skills or reading good books.

2. Select finishers, meaning people who complete their jobs instead of leaving them half done. Do you pass in your homework on time?

3. Students with A's and B's are more likely to end in WHO'S WHO than their C or D classmates.

4. Notice the classmates who smile, greet their associates cheerily and give compliments freely.

5. Perseverance. Athletes deserve credit, too.

6. Boy or Girl Scouts have had practical experience that gives them "Horse Sense".

7. Watch the boy or girl who goes to Sunday school, is a patrol leader or a bus monitor.

8. Individuals who don't follow every fad or fashion such as use of cigarettes, beer drinking or drugs.

9. Moral idealism rates very high - honesty, integrity, and a firm belief in the Almighty.

FOUR THINGS - Henry Van Dyke

Four things a man must learn to do if he would make his record true; To think without confusion clearly; To love his fellowman sincerely; To act from honest motives

purely; To trust in God and Heaven securely.

THE MAN WHO THINKS HE CAN

If you think you're beaten, you are; If you think you dare not, you don't; If you'd like to win, but think you can't, It's almost a cinch you won't.

If you think you'll lose, you're lost, For out in the world we find Success begins with a fellow's will, It's all in the state of mind.

If you think you're outclassed, you are; You've got to think high to rise, You've got to be sure of yourself before You can even win a prize.

Life's battles don't always go To the stronger or faster man; But sooner or later the man who wins Is the man who thinks he can. Walter D. Wintle

THE WAYS John Oxenham

To every man there openeth A way, and ways and a way. And the High Soul climbs the Highway, And the Low Soul gropes the Low, And in between, on the misty flats, The rest drift to and fro. But to every man there openeth A highway, and a Low, And every man decideth The Way his soul shall go.

EVIL

The way to keep life from evil is not to let the evil get started, and the way to keep the evil from getting started is by cultivating the good. Figuratively speaking, your capacity for kindness and self-sacrifice, for loyalty and love constitute the seeds of your own personal laws. If you concentrate on making them grow, they can stifle the feelings of anger, selfishness, and lustfulness which are the weeds of life. A recently published, very popular book carried the title, THE GREENING OF AMERICA. It could be used to describe this greening of our lives.

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ANGER is often a mask for selfishness. "Anger does not bring about the righteous life that God desires". James 1:20

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Community News

The East Carolina Playhouse to present the moving dramatic comedy, Someone who'll watch over me

The East Carolina Playhouse will present the moving, touching dramatic comedy, **SOMEONE WHO'LL WATCH OVER ME** by Frank McGuinness. The play that has been praised as "taut and brilliant, with a heart, a soul and a sense of humor" runs November 9-14, 1995 at 8:00 P.M. each evening except Sunday which has a 2:00 P.M. matinee only.

Imagine stepping out one day to

buy a few pears to make a pear flan for a dinner party dessert.

You head for your local market. Instead—bang!—and you wake up in a box-like room, chained to a wall with two other men similarly shackled. You don't know where you are, or how long you'll be there; indeed, whether you will live or die, be someday killed or released. Your sanity, even your identity, is on the knife's edge of oblivion and you must battle an unseen enemy to keep either.

Frank McGuinness' dramatic comedy, **SOMEONE WHO'LL WATCH OVER ME**, is a touching, moving story of three men in just such a situation—an American, an Englishman and an Irishman—

virtually entombed in a windowless, cell-like, filthy basement room somewhere in the Middle East. The American is a psychiatrist, the Irishman a journalist, and the Englishman a schoolteacher. They come together as random hostages in a situation reminiscent of Terry Anderson's terrible experience in Lebanon, in which fanatic persecutors are trying to break their minds and spirits.

In the stark void of their prison, the captives' only weapon is a genius for wit and laughter which they employ with zest, quirkiness and ferocity in dazzling flights of fancy.

Among other things, the play is about courage in the face of the

most arbitrary and unpredictable horror. Near the beginning, one of the captives begins to weep. He is immediately, forcefully stopped by one of the others and is told never to let the Captors see his tears. He must turn tears to laughter whatever the cost. This command sets the tone for the action, much of it devoted to provoking that laughter from the captives (and, by extension, the audience). American savvy, Irish wit and English humor come together in a play that is both rich in ideas and in sheer entertainment.

Individual tickets will go on sale November 2 at \$8.00 for the General Public, \$7.00 for ECU Faculty/Staff, and \$5.00 for ECU students. Tickets may be purchased in person, Monday through Friday; by phone with a VISA or MasterCard by calling 328-6829 or 328-1726; or by mail, East Carolina Playhouse, ECU, Greenville, NC 27858. The box office is open Monday through Friday from 10:00 a.m. until 4:00 p.m. and until 8:15 p.m. on performance dates.



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The seminar will be an in-depth discussion of Hazard Communication/Lab Safety, Bloodborne Pathogens, and OSHA Tuberculous stan-

dards. Upon completion, each participant will be able to identify requirements as they apply to their place of business, develop required written plans, and implement required employee training. The cost is \$85.00, a discount for early registration is available. For more information contact: Center for Applied Technology, East Carolina University, Willis Building, Rm. 101, Greenville, NC 27858, Ph. (919) 328-6708, Fax (919) 328-4356.

Marketing Your Business On the Internet

East Carolina University's Center for Applied Technology will host the seminar Marketing Your Business on the Internet on December 7, from 9-12 at the Willis Building in downtown Greenville. Dr. Brian Mennecke and Steve Mead will facilitate the seminar.

The seminar will cover how to market your company or product regionally, nationally, and globally. Participants will also be presented innovations of the Internet as a means of creating and maintaining relationships with your clientele. The cost is \$59.00, which includes course materials. For more information contact: Center for Applied Technology, East Carolina University, Willis Building, Rm. 101, Greenville, NC 27858, Ph. (919) 328-6708, Fax (919) 328-4356.

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In a separate incident, the most recent being September 7, 3 members of the Potawatami Nation in Ontario were shot by the Ontario Provincial Police at Ipperwash Provincial Park, located on the St. Clair River. One man, Dudley George, was killed.

Both disputes center around land rights. In British Columbia, at the request of a white rancher, the government has attempted to evict the Shuswap from their sacred Sundance lands, on which the Shuswap have worshiped for centuries. The Government is treating them as trespassers and common criminals. The Shuswap maintain that they never ceded their land to the Canadian Government, and therefore the government has no legal jurisdiction. They want the matter to be settled by an impartial third party.

The land at Ipperwash, which

was usurped from the Potawatami by the Canadian Armed forces during the Second World War, was supposed to have been returned, but instead was turned into a national park. Last month, Potawatami men, women and children stormed the gates of the park to reclaim their land.

Such conflict is nothing new. The history of both the Canadian and United States governments is that of constant disregard for native peoples, and their land rights. When formal agreements and treaties are made, they are almost always violated.

One new feature of this current situation is that the Canadian Government and Canadian media are trying to label the Native peoples as "Maverick Cultists" and "Terrorists." It is part of a recent pattern in which small religions, non-

mainstream political groups, and other anti-establishment organizations that oppose the policies of their governments are given the "Cult" label. In the 1950's, the term "Communist" was used to demonize opponents of the U.S. Government. Now that the cold war is over, new labels are being used to dehumanize dissidents.

Here in the United States - a country founded by religious mavericks - the term "Cult", an unscientific and politically loaded term, is being used to tar and feather the very people and organizations that our Constitution is supposed to protect from persecution. Such demonization creates an environment where the violation of Constitutional rights - be they Canadian or United States Constitutional rights becomes possible, if not probable. Witness the outcome

in Waco, Texas, where the labeling of the Branch Davidians as a cult influenced and justified the tactics used against them.

According to the Canadian Alliance in Solidarity with Native Peoples, the atmosphere in Canada is very tense. There is growing outrage at the government's use of force rather than diplomacy. At CASNP's request, I sent letters to the Prime Minister of Canada, Jean Chretien; the Premier of British Columbia, Michael Harcourt; and British Columbia's Attorney General, Ujjal Dommanj, urging them to restrain the Royal Canadian Mounted Police and to desist in their campaign to demonize the Shuswap. But much more support is needed. The situation in British Columbia is still dangerous, and international pressure is critical to help avert a bloodbath.

Two sculptors featured in NCCU art show

A sculpture show opening November 12 at the NCCU Art Museum at North Carolina Central University will present the works of two 20th century African-American sculptors.

Richmond Barthe - Richard Hunt: Two Sculptors, Two Eras is a traveling show curated by Samella Lewis, Ph.D., professor emerita of Scripps College, Claremont, California, and organized by Landau/Traveling Exhibitions of Los Angeles. The national tour began in 1992 and will continue through 1996.

Barthe and Hunt, born 34 years apart, are both recognized as among the foremost artists of their generations. Both received numerous honors and awards, including the Guggenheim Fellowship, and

the works of both sculptors are in the collections of major museums throughout the United States and the world.

The show includes 18 sculptures by each artist, as well as photomurals of their studios and public works, and explores similarities and contrasts between the two artists.

When Richard Hunt entered the Art Institute of Chicago in 1953, on a scholarship from the Chicago Public School Art Society, he became familiar with the work of Barthe, who had graduated from the same institution in 1929. Barthe's "The Boxer," which is a part of the permanent collection of the Art Institute of Chicago, made a lasting impression on the younger artist.

The late Richmond Barthe was born in 1901 and was just reaching maturity and wide-spread recognition as a sculptor when Hunt was born in 1935. Traditional figurative art was still in vogue during Barthe's formative years, while Hunt developed his artistic approach during the era of conceptual art. Barthe's inspirations included Michelangelo, Donatello, and Rodin, although his subjects are African and African American. Hunt acknowledges a debt to sculptor David Smith and Spanish sculptor Julio Gonzales, and to African metalworks. Both artists began their careers as modelers and subsequently turned to metal as their medium. Barthe doing bronze casting, Hunt using both casting and welding. (All sculp-

tures in the traveling show are cast sculptures.)

The show has been presented in Chicago, Washington, Chattanooga, Edwardsville and Rock Island, Illinois, Hampton, Va., Columbus, Ohio, Monroe, La., and Lubbock, Texas.

A second version of the exhibition is being organized for overseas travel through the U.S. Information Agency's Arts America Program.

Richmond Barthe-Richard Hunt: Two Sculptors, Two Eras will be on exhibit at NCCU through December 10. The NCCU Art Museum is open from 9 a.m. to 5 p.m., Tuesday through Friday, and from 2 to 5 p.m. Sunday.

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I (say your name) pledge, that from this day forward, I will not poison my body with drugs or that which is destructive to my health and well being.

I (say your name) pledge, that I will support Black newspapers, Black radio, Black television and Black artists who clean up their act to show respect for themselves, and for their people.

Hansley completes overseas deployment

Navy Petty officers 3rd class Treavor L. Hansley, a 1991 graduate of D.H. Conley High School of Greenville, recently returned to Earle, N.J., after completing a six-month overseas deployment aboard the fast combat support ship USS Seattle, which included duty in the Adriatic Sea near Bosnia-Herzegovina and in the Persian Gulf near Iraq.

Hansley is one of 621 sailors aboard the ship who completed the more than 36,000-mile voyage. Hansley's ship served as part of the formidable 11-ship USS Theodore Roosevelt Battle Group, which included jet fighters, airborne early warning and electronic warfare aircraft, attack aircraft, helicopters, and ships and submarines armed with Tomahawk cruise missiles.

While in the Persian Gulf, Hansley and fellow shipmates supported and supplied fuel to ships enforcing the no-fly zone over Southern Iraq and deterring Iraqi aggression on the Arabian peninsula.

During the deployment, Hansley's ship transferred more than 15 million gallons of fuel to 128 U.S. Navy ships as well as

Navy ships from Germany, Greece, Italy, the Netherlands and the United Kingdom. The refueling operations took place while traveling side-by-side to other ships. Helicopters from Hansley's ship also flew 49 missions delivering nearly 100,000 tons of food, ammunition, supplies and mail.

While spending 147 days at sea, Hansley also visited Bahrain, Crete, France, Greece, Israel, Italy, Sicily and Spain. In Chania, Crete, Sailors from Hansley's ship volunteered their free time to paint a monastery and children's home.

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The N.C. Department of Human Resources has selected North Carolina Central University to conduct a performance evaluation of Governor Jim Hunt's Support Our Students after school initiative.

NCCU Chancellor Julius Chambers and Deputy Secretary of Human Resources Barry Stanback today signed a contract

for \$64,800. Under the terms of the contract, NCCU will conduct a full evaluation of the impact of SOS on students in the 52 counties that administer the program, and then issue a report.

"This grant will enable us to do research on an area of real interest to us — how communities work together to shape the future of students," said Chancellor Chambers.

Stanback echoed Chambers' remarks, adding, "This evaluation will give us critical information about the success of our SOS efforts and will help us to better serve students. Central will do an outstanding job."

Gov. Hunt's SOS initiative was established to provide children with a safe after school haven from violence and drugs at the end of the school day. Currently, SOS serves more than 6,000 young people across North Carolina. With the help of 52 locally-run organizations, more than 2,000 volunteers have recruited to give young people help with homework or the chance to participate in clubs, activities and organized sports.

The SOS evaluation team is headed by Dr. Beverly Jones with the university's Institute for the Study of Minority Issues. Jones' study will measure the outcomes of SOS's success in improving student grades, class attendance, and discipline records as well as the program's effect on changing student attitudes toward learning.

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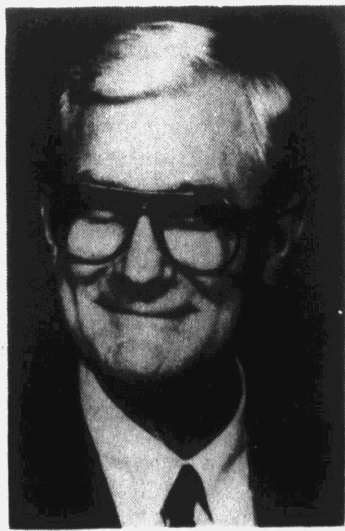


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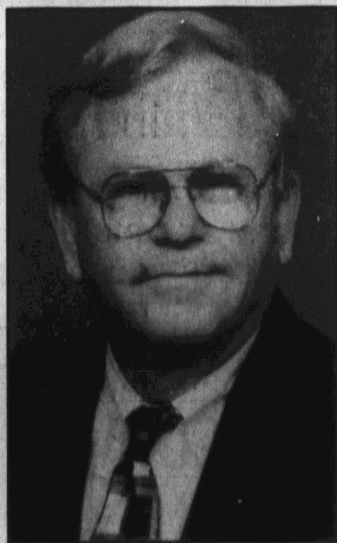


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The William Lynch letter

Newspaper columnists and editorial writers bleat about the meaninglessness of Min. Louis Farrakhan's speech, referring to him as "Louis the Lip," maintaining he "insulted 400,000 men" and saying, "OK, he's evil; now what?" etc.

He's been freshly attacked by the running dogs of the status quo. They were hit at one of the seats of their establishment, in an attempt by Farrakhan said nothing. Here is an example of the nothing he said.

Modus operandi, 1712-1995
William Lynch was a slave holder and plantation owner. He owned a small plantation in the West Indies. Speaking to a gathering of plantation owners in 1712, he imparted his observations on the perpetuation of slavery and the control and management of slaves. (His instructions later became part of a plantation owner's manual which was distributed throughout the slave states.)

"In my bag I have a foolproof method of controlling Black slaves. I guarantee every one of you, if installed correctly it will control the slaves for at least 300 years. My method is simple. Any member of your family or your overseer can use it.

"I have outlined a number of differences among the slaves and I take these differences and I make them bigger. I use fear, envy and distrust. For what purpose? Control. To control who? The slave. These methods have worked on my modest plantation in the West Indies and they will work throughout the South.

"Now, take this simple little list and think about it. On the top of my list is age. But it's only because it starts with an A. And the second is color or shade. There's intelligence, sex, size of plantation, status of plantation, attitude of owners, whether the slaves live in the valley or on a hill, north, east, south, or west, have fine hair or coarse hair, or are tall or short.

"Now that you have a list of differences, I shall give you an outline of action. But before that, I shall assure you that distrust is stronger than trust. And envy is stronger than adulation, respect or admiration. The Black slave, after receiving this indoctrination, shall carry it on and will become self-generating for hundreds of years. Maybe thousands of years.

"Now don't forget, you must pitch the old Black male against the young Black male. And you must use the female against the male. And you must use the male against the female. And the light-skinned slave against the dark-skinned slave.

"You must also have your white servants and overseers distrust all Blacks. But it is necessary that your slaves trust and depend on us. They must love, respect and trust only us.

"Gentlemen, these keys are your keys to control. Use them. Never miss an opportunity. And if used intensely for one year, the slaves themselves will remain perpetually distrustful. Thank you, gentlemen."

Lynch no doubt hoped to get in good with the colonial American planters.

If Farrakhan did nothing more than to bring this document to light, (and indeed, he did much more), it would have been enough to justify his speech.

Ranck completes basic course

Marine Pfc. Kevin L. Ranck, son of Veronica K. Ranck of 2008 Sherwood, Greenville, recently completed the Marine Corps Basic Supply Course.

During the course with Supply School Company, Marine Corps Service Support Schools, Marine Corps Base, Camp Lejeune, students learn to use supply publications and catalogs, general accounting, and the basics of naval correspondence.

The 1985 graduate of Southside High School of Elmira, N.Y., joined the Marine Corps in March 1995.

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He joined the Navy in March of 1993.

Navy Petty Officer 2nd Class Terry R. Andrews, son of Rosa L. Cherry of 102 Sandstone Court, Greenville, is halfway through a six-month South American deployment while serving with the commander of the U.S. South

Atlantic Force embarked aboard the destroyer USS Comte De Grasse.

Andrews is on the staff of the commander in charge of coordinating and organizing all U.S. Navy operations in the South Atlantic Ocean and the waters near South America. Andrews and fellow Sailors and Marines and participating in UNITAS '95, a multinational exercise which began off the coast of Puerto Rico and is continuing around South

America. UNITAS is latin for unity. Andrews' ship is one of seven U.S. Navy and Coast Guard ships participating in the exercise.

So far during the deployment, Andrews and fellow shipmates have conducted anti-air, anti-surface, anti-submarine and electronic warfare training with forces from Colombia, France, the Netherlands and Venezuela. Before they return in late November, Andrews and fellow Sail-

ors and Marines will also train with forces from Argentina, Brazil, Chile, Paraguay, Peru and Uruguay. The exercises improve the ability of the different forces to operate together while promoting friendship, professionalism and readiness.

Andrews' ship recently passed through the Panama Canal and is headed in a counter clockwise direction around South America. While most of the deployment has been at sea, Andrews and

fellow shipmates have also visited Colombia and Venezuela.

Andrews' involvement in this exercise demonstrates the ability of U.S. naval forces to serve as the cornerstone of international coalitions, while projecting a positive American image and enhancing diplomatic contacts.

The 1986 graduate of Roanoke High School of Robersonville, joined the Navy in September 1986.



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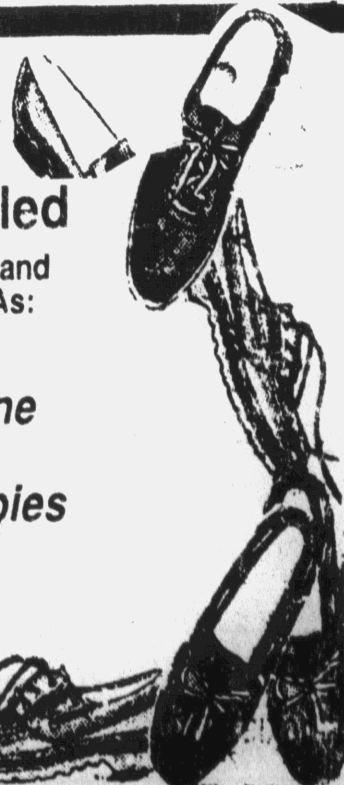
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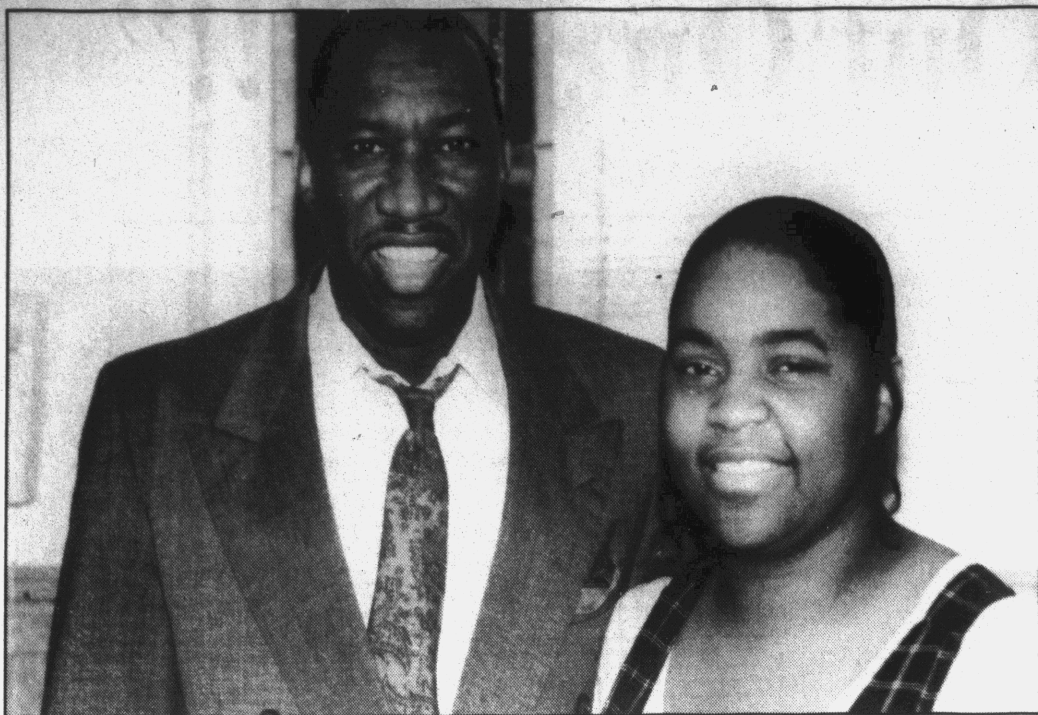
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GREETINGS MY NAME IS SHONTEL PARKER and I am a member at Wells Chapel Church of God In Christ, where my father, Superintendent Austin B. Parker, is pastor and my mother, Carolyn Parker, is the First Lady. I attend J. H. Rose High School where I am a senior. I plan to attend UNC-Chapel Hill next fall and study Pre-law. If I could offer a word of advice to the young people then I would have to quote my father and say, "Put God first, and education second," if you do this then everything else will fall in place.

Kucab was a forum panelist

A. Robert Kucab of Raleigh was a forum panelist during a national meeting of the Congressional Black Caucus (CBC) in Washington, DC last week. He is the executive director of the North Carolina Housing Finance Agency.

The forum, entitled "The Ameri-

can Dream of Home Ownership Is Not Impossible," was part of the CBC's twenty-fifth annual legislative conference. Conveners included U.S. Rep. Eva Clayton and U.S. Rep. Mel Watt of North Carolina.

Mr. Kucab addressed special efforts by state housing agencies to assist low income, minority home buyers. He cited as an example NCHFA's new down payment assistance program, which allows buyers with average incomes of \$23,832 per year to buy homes. Of 421 households using the down

payment assistance last year, 48 percent were African-American or other minorities. For the 1,350 homebuyers using the agency's low-cost mortgages, nearly 32 percent were minorities.

The North Carolina Housing Finance Agency is a self-supporting agency created by the General Assembly in 1973. By operating federal housing programs and the state's Housing Trust Fund, it has financed 75,000 affordable homes and apartments for moderate and low income North Carolinians.

A note to the editor

In the September 20 - 25 issue of the 'M' Voice, Mrs. Beatrice May wrote an article entitled "Why Most Black Men Won't Go To Church". While the article displayed the thorough, intelligent perspective we have become accustomed to over the years, I feel that it lacked a masculine perspective that would add more substance to many of her claims. I agree with Mrs. May that there is something strikingly odd in many of our churches. As she so accurately stated, most churches tend to be overwhelmingly female in population. This seems to be particularly true in a majority of Protestant churches. As a pastor, I have often wondered why so many of our churches have problems both in attracting men and retaining our young boys. Like Mrs. May, I prayerfully accessed the situation and I have come to the conclusion that much of our worshiping system within the framework of the Christian Church is out-of-line with God's divine order. Whereas, I agree with many of her "seven premises", I disagree with some that seem to border on many of the negative stereotypes that have followed Black men in almost every area of life. I'd like to discuss each of Mrs. May's reasons from a male perspective.

The first reason she cited stated that one drawback for Black men attending is the fact that many brothers are not gainfully employed. Accurate statistics show that only about 1/4 of Black men fall into this indigent category. In American society, the focus has always been away from the most successful of Black men by media and journalists alike. And, although many attend church for all kinds of reasons, the majority of people come for worship. Intelligent, conscientious brothers understand the financial obligations

of the church and govern themselves accordingly. However, with the continual deterioration of the American economy, men and women have been reluctant to invest in ministries that are poorly administrated and spiritually deficient.

I agree with Mrs. May in principle that the church does a poor job in accommodating Black men, but I don't think our men are so shallow that sports events preempt their commitment to Christ, where the church has really failed to accommodate men is its perspective as a divinely run institution. The scripture tells us that man is the head of woman. Many church have departed from this philosophy and run their congregations from a feminine perspective. Most social pundits will rebuke the above statement, but is Biblically founded. Men need to take their proper place before God as the leaders God intended them to be. The answer is not scheduling church services around the NFL schedule.

Mrs. May's third reason, that the prevailing doctrine of today's church being somewhat illogical is true. However, the problems stem more from the church's interpretation of Scripture more than what the Bible says. We all accept that God's word does not change. As Black people, we know the concept of a "blonde, blue-eyed" church is totally erroneous. But, the message of loving your enemies and those who despite use you are ingrained in Biblical fundamentals. The fact that trusting God even in impoverished circumstances, where social and political disenfranchisement has been the norm and not the exception, has given Black men great inspiration, goes without saying.

Mrs. May's fifth reason deals

with submission. The issue in the Black church as it relates to submission is to whom Black men should be submissive to. According to the divine order, God is the head of man, and man is the head of woman. Any straying from that is outside the will of God. Black men, by in large, are not going to submit to a ministry where the minister is of questionable moral character. Real men are not going to submit to a ministry that emasculates their manhood and masculinity. Men have no more problem submitting to God than anyone when God is presented in the proper context.

I agree with Mrs. May's sixth reason which says many men have problems with preachers. To that point I would like to add that Black men understand, probably better than most, the inner workings of a rank-and-file hierarchal system. But, when it comes to the church, Black men are not going to follow men who serve as ministers with no purpose or direction. Men will not be attached to a ministry that is not spiritual, or at least appears to be. Men usually see through "flim-flamming" preachers.

I agree with Mrs. May's seventh reason 100%. She says Black males won't go to church because today's church does not address their needs. Black men have had to deal with being the brunt of every social attack. Their image as human beings are often tainted by society. Black men have been depicted as ogres, less-than-human, etc. With all of this negativism, shouldn't the church be a haven for spiritual rejuvenation and development. Brothers should find the church to be the one place where truly everyone is equal, and where one's relationship to the Creator is the priority.

Islam, which is fastly becoming the religion of choice among Black males today, is the antithesis of everything we've discussed in this article. In most Muslim services I have attended, I've noticed that men outnumber women probably 25-to-1. This is probably exactly the opposite to what we see in the Christian church. I observed that the services were very "masculinely" oriented. Obviously, there is something to be learned there.

It is time for men to come forward and take their place in God's divine order. We need to be the men God intended us to be. Surely, if we walk before God as we should, our beautiful sisters will reverence and admire us more.

REV. A. MICHAEL DIXON

Internet Panel Discussion

East Carolina University's World Class Strategies Network will host a panel discussion concerning the internet on November 8, from 2 p.m.-4 p.m. at the Willis Building in downtown Greenville.

This interactive meeting has been planned to provide a forum to ask questions and find real answers about the Internet from experts of academia, from an actual Internet provider, and from a business currently utilizing the Net. The cost is \$25.00 for non members. For more information contact: Center for Applied Technology, East Carolina University, Willis Building, Rm. 101, Greenville, NC 27858, Ph. (919) 328-6708, Fax (919) 328-4356.

OSHA compliance for general industry

East Carolina University's Center for Applied Technology will host the seminar OSHA Compliance for General Industry on November 13, from 9 a.m.-12 noon at the Willis Building in downtown Greenville. David McDaniel, a former NC OSHA compliance officer and president of a safety consulting firm, will facilitate the seminar.

The seminar will be an in-depth discussion of common safety violations and proactive measures for general industry. Upon completion, each participant will be able to identify requirements as they apply to their place of business, develop required written plans, and implement required employee training. The cost is \$85.00, a discount for early registration is available. For more information contact: Center for Applied Technology, East Carolina University, Willis Building, Rm 101, Greenville, NC 27858, Ph. (919) 328-6708, Fax

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