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NAACP State President encourages youth involvement

by Stephen Johnson

Greenville, NC -- The Pitt County branch of the National Association for the Advancement of Colored People held a fellowship banquet at East Carolina University's Willis Building on April 10. At the banquet, speaker Melvin "Skip" Alston spoke on the growth and empowerment of young Black America.

"You are the children the slaves prayed for, he said, the ones with the most education, the opportunity, and the most likely to accomplish the goals we once thought impossible." Alston, a member of the national board of trustees since 1987, is the former president of the Greensboro branch of the NAACP, and serves as the North Carolina President of the NAACP. He was extremely pleased with the turnout of youth at the fellowship banquet. Alston, when speaking about the trails and tribulations that the pioneers of Black America had to endure, pointed out that, despite all they endured, they still found a way to pave the way for their children.

Alston believes that it is the responsibility of Young Black America to leave a legacy for future Black Americans. He reminds young people that they are our most prized possession, next to the Black woman.

"The Black woman should not allow herself to be derailed by

romance," he said. "Your identity is not defined by clothes, jewelry, or the people around you, but by the expectations of the world around you not wishing you to succeed." He pointed out that it is that worldly expectation for failure that drives Black America today. "Why are we waiting to lead?" he asked. "Do you need more education, more money? Are your surroundings not allowing you to move forward?" He answered his own question: "It's not your surroundings, but the quality of your mind and the strength of your soul."

With a dynamic flair worthy of the late Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr., Alston mesmerized listeners as he continued to mentor the young and enlighten others. When his speech was concluded, the audience awarded him with a standing ovation.

D.D. Garrett, a Greenville businessman who had just celebrated his 57th wedding anniversary as of four o'clock that afternoon, was also pleased with the turnout of young people, saying "It was the best banquet we ever held."

One thought, however, did seem to linger in the back of peoples minds: the noticeable absence of key members, which led to conversations of why more people have not joined the NAACP.

"We want to encourage people to join our honored and respected organization," said Ann Huggins, a



Attending the NAACP Banquet were (left to right): Walt Morehead, D.D. Garrett, banquet speaker and state NAACP President Melvin "Skip" Alston, Pitt County chapter President Gaston Monk, and Greenville City Council members Chuck Autry and Rufus Huggins.

member of the executive committee. "We need the support of both young and old to continue the legacy of the NAACP into the next millennium."

The NAACP is the oldest,

largest and strongest civil rights organization in the United States. Its principal objective is to ensure the political, educational, social and economic equality of minority group citizens of the United States.

The NAACP is committed to achievement through non-violence and relies upon the press, the petition, the ballot and the courts,

and is persistent in the use of legal and moral persuasion even in the face of overt and violent racial hostility.

The NAACP was formed in 1909 in New York City by a group

of Black and White citizens committed to helping to right social injustices. The founders were Mary White Ovington, Dr. Henry Moscowitz, Oswald Garrison Villiard, William English Walling, Ida Wells-Barnett and W.E.B. DuBois led the "Call" to renew the struggle for civil and political liberty.

Its current leader is Kweisi Mfume, who serves as the President, Chief Executive Officer, and the official spokesperson for the NAACP

The NAACP is a network of

more than 2,200 branches covering all 50 states, the District of Columbia, Japan and Germany. They are divided into seven regions and are managed and governed by a National Board of Directors. The NAACP is headquartered in Baltimore, Maryland. Total membership exceeds 500,000.

NC Black Publishers Association holds meeting



Some of those attending the NCBPA meeting were (left to right): J.J. Jones (NCBPA secretary and publisher of *The Fayetteville Press*); Mason McCullough (NCBPA president and publisher of *The County News*); Paul Jervay, Jr. (NCBPA vice-president and publisher of *The Carolinian*); Stephen Johnson (co-Editor of *The Minority Voice*), representing publisher Jim Rouse; Vivian Edmonds (publisher of *The Carolina Times*); and Clarence Benton (publisher of *The Asheville Advocate*).

Statesville, NC -- The North Carolina Black Publishers Association met recently in Statesville, North Carolina, to work toward resolution of goals and objectives, including workshops for African-American journalists; encouraging more African-American journalism and sales/marketing majors to pursue career opportunities in the Black press; increasing

awareness of African American issues and concerns; meeting organizational and community needs via the Internet and other business

methods.

President Mason McCullough opened discussion on the first item of business, which was considering changing the name of the North Carolina Black Publishers Association to be more inclusive, rather than exclusive, to include not only the publishing industry, but African Americans in radio & television broadcasting, magazines

and other media. While it was suggested that a new name for the organization could be the Carolinas Minority Media Association, it was

Court rules on race identification

By Thomas Martello

TRENTON, N.J. (AP) -- The New Jersey Supreme Court has ruled that juries in some mixed-race criminal cases should be told that witnesses have a tougher time identifying defendants of another race. The court ruled April 12 that there have been ample studies and that most jurisdictions accept the concept.

"Indeed some courtroom observers have commented that the ordinary person's difficulty of 'cross-racial recognition' is so commonplace as to be the subject of both cliché and joke: 'they all look alike,'" the court wrote.

The court ordered a new trial in the rape case of a white Rutgers University student who identified a Black man, McKinley Cromedy, as her attacker. The court said the jury should have been given a "cross racial instruction" alerting jurors to pay close attention to the possible

influence of race in identifying defendants.

The woman had not recognized a photograph of Cromedy that she was shown a few days after the rape. However, she alerted police eight months later when she spotted Cromedy on a street corner. She identified him as the rapist after he had been taken into custody.

The trial court did not allow the jury to be advised that "cross racial identification" could affect the victim's ability to identify her assailant, a decision upheld by an appeals court and overturned this week.

"Science has shown, unfortunately, that most people tend to better recognize people of their own race," said Sylvia Orenstein, who argued the case on behalf of Cromedy. "This is another factor a jury should be alerted to consider."

also recommended that the NCBPA get its own affairs in order before considering accepting memberships from other media. After further discussion, it was decided to leave the name "North Carolina Black Publishers Association" as is.

The members of the NCBPA are: Mason McCullough, NCBPA president; Paul Jervay, Jr., NCBPA vice-president; J.J. Jones, NCBPA secretary; Vivian Edmonds; Clarence

Benton; Jim Rouse; Dr. John M. Kilimanjaro; Peter Grear; Gerald Johnson; Bob Johnson; Ernest H. Pitt; and Willie E. Jervay.

Those attending the meeting were newspaper publishers, editors, and general managers.



Blessed by the Lord.....Shown above are two of Greenville's beloved citizens, the Reverend Peele and his lovely wife. Bro. Peele, a dedicated husband, attributes the longevity of his marriage to hard work and the blessing of the Lord. May the Lord keep on blessing this happy couple!

Black woman elected mayor of Trenton, NC

TRENTON, N.C. (AP) -- A Black woman was selected mayor of this small town, where no Black has ever before held office, succeeding a White man who resigned after saying Blacks are unfit to govern.

The Town Council unanimously selected Sylvia Willis on April 13.

She will complete former Mayor Joffree Leggett's term, which expires in November. Leggett resigned in March after saying Blacks were not leaders and would rather be led by Whites.

He made the comments amid criticism over the farming town's

refusal to annex three Black neighborhoods that have about 100 residents. Trenton at the time had 200 residents, about 50 of them Black.

After the NAACP got involved and Blacks boycotted Trenton businesses, all of which are White-owned, the Town Council agreed to

annex the neighborhoods.

Mrs. Willis' husband, activist Daniel J. Willis, had threatened another boycott unless a Black person was named to the council.

"This is the beginning of a coming together -- or trying, anyway," Mrs. Willis said.



Politics & Points of View

The Perspectives

of Stephen Johnson

The television made me do it!



Enough is enough! I am so tired of angry and distraught parents blaming Hollywood, the music industry, and everyone else for the moral decay and lack of discipline in our youth. When will they admit that these problems start at home?

A few days ago, the parents of three children killed in a shooting spree in Paducah, Kentucky, announced their intent to file a \$130 million lawsuit against two Internet porn sites, several computer game companies and the makers of the 1995 Leonardo DiCaprio movie, *The Basketball Diaries*.

I say: Why stop there? Let's sue rap videos for their violent portrayal of gang violence, the makers of Francis Ford Coppola's *The Godfather* trilogy, the entire porno industry, horror films for senselessly glorifying graphic violence,

the school system for not teaching the difference between real life and imagination, and the churches for not teaching children the moral guidelines they need.

But before we sue anyone, let's sue the parents, whose lack of supervision allowed their children access to such materials. Let's sue the consumer, whose growing appetite for sex and violence make these types of movies possible in the first place. In short, let's look at ourselves. How did we go so terribly wrong as mentors that our children have such a total disregard for morality and decency? When

did we, as adults, develop a taste for blood so strong that it has begun to effect our children?

I am truly sorry for the lost lives of the three young people. I am also deeply concerned that a 14-year-old child had access to a loaded gun and the proper knowledge of how to use it. However, venting your anger out on Hollywood or the Internet will not solve the problem. All of America is responsible for the deaths of these young people. Unless we curb our desire for glorifying violence, our children never will.

Religion: Even though there is a lot of debate over which religion is the best one to follow, I find all of them instrumental in rearing a child and teaching them right from

wrong. When I hear of a child that has killed someone, I always wonder what type of religious upbringing did he have, if any.

The Baby-sitter: Parents need to realize that the television set is not a baby-sitter. Far too often, we put our children in front of a television set as a way of keeping them occupied while we complete other chores. What parents need to realize is that if they are not there child's role model, someone else will take that role.

Supervision: It is my understand-

ACLU sues military and public schools

By Don Babwin

CHICAGO (AP) -- Schools, military bases and other publicly funded groups have no business sponsoring Boy Scout troops so long as Scouts are required to take a religious oath, the American Civil Liberties Union says.

In a federal lawsuit filed April 14, the ACLU argues that public funding of Boy Scouts of America troops violates the constitutional requirement of separation of church and state.

"Government agencies simply cannot spend tax dollars on programs that exclude people because of their religious beliefs," ACLU attorney Roger Leishman said.

The suit, filed on behalf of five taxpayers, names as defendants the Chicago Public Schools and the United States Transportation Command, headquartered at Scott Air Force Base in southern Illinois. Leishman said the two defendants represent any local agency in Illinois that receives state funding

and all federal agencies.

He did not know how many schools in Illinois sponsor troops.

"There is no allegation that any individual student or leader has suffered any kind of discrimination based on religion in connection with any program sponsored by the Chicago Public Schools," said Robert Hall, first assistant attorney with the Chicago Public Schools system.

The Boys Scouts of America also said the lawsuit is without merit.

"It is regrettable that the ACLU would seek to deny these boys access to the scouting program simply because they promise to do their duty to God," national spokesman Gregg Shields said.

The ACLU has been a longtime critic of the Boy Scouts. Last year, it sued the city of Chicago over the organization's oath as well as its ban on gay members. The city, which had sponsored troops, ended its affiliation with the organization.

Lack of newspaper minority hires draws criticism

SAN FRANCISCO (AP) -- Little progress has been made in recent years to increase the number of minority journalists at daily newspapers, according to a study presented at the annual convention of the American Society of Newspaper Editors.

The percentage of Asian-American, Black, Hispanic and American Indian newsroom employees increased from 11.46 in 1997 to 11.55 in 1998, based on figures released April 13.

For the first time, the survey also counted female journalists, finding they represent about 37 percent of news staffs.

"I still think there are a lot of editors who don't understand the importance of diversity," said Nancy Baca, president of the National Association of Hispanic Journalists and an assistant features editor at the Albuquerque Journal in New Mexico.

Edward Seaton, outgoing ASNE president and editor in chief of the Manhattan (Kan.) Mercury, said a

newspaper's credibility is connected to the diversity of its staff.

"Most editors have come to a very clear conclusion that reflecting the diversity of their communities is a core survival issue," Seaton said.

The survey also showed declines for members of minority groups receiving internships and getting a first full-time journalism job.

In contrast, the number of minority-owned newspapers and newspapers focusing solely on minority issues have increased significantly.

Catalina Camia, president of Unity: Journalists of Color, an alliance of Asian-American, Hispanic, Black, and American Indian journalists, found one unchanged statistic particularly troubling -- 9 percent of newsroom supervisors are minorities.

"These are the positions of real decision-making," said Camia, a Washington correspondent for the Dallas Morning News. "Looking at the big picture, these numbers tell us that incredible efforts need to be taken if we are going to get young people of color interested in journalism."

At the April 13 session, ASNE announced a series of initiatives, including creation of a national talent bank listing minority students looking for internships or their first jobs.

The board of the Associated Press Managing Editors ratified the list of initiatives, many of which were the result of joint efforts by the two editors' organizations.

ASNE's goal is for newsrooms to reflect the racial and ethnic makeup of the general population by 2025.

150 Democrats vote against condemning racism

WASHINGTON, (PRNewswire) -- On March 24, Republican National Committee Chairman Jim Nicholson sharply criticized 150 Democrats who opposed a resolution that would have condemned racism, anti-Semitism, ethnic prejudice and religious intolerance.

"The 150 Democrats who went on record yesterday against a resolution condemning 'hatred and bigotry wherever and in whatever

form they may be found,' have demonstrated a willingness to give common decency a back seat to strident partisan politics," Nicholson said.

The resolution considered by the House of Representatives would have reaffirmed America's commitment to diversity, reaffirmed the

fact that individual liberties are not negotiable, and called on all Americans to reject the forces of

hatred and bigotry. Although it received the support of a majority of the House, 254-152, it did not get the 286 votes necessary for enactment under the applicable House rules.

In addition to the 150 Democrats who voted against the Watts resolution, nearly the same number (23)

ted "present" as voted for passage (36), Nicholson noted.

ing that the parents believe that the 14-year-old was influenced by the violence he witnessed in The Basketball Diaries, several violent computer games as well as logging on to several Internet porn sites.

My question is this: Who bought the video games? Who let him see an R-rated movie? Who supervised what type of Internet sites he could visit? Don't forget....we can't put all this on his parents. He had

friends whose houses he visited, and he certainly was exposed to the same influences there, as well.

There's a much-overused saying: "It takes a village to raise a child." Parents need to realize that, when one of those children falls, it's also takes a village to pick him back up. After all, if the village gets the praise for the child's accomplishments, then they should also share the blame for their failures.

WORDS OF WISDOM

"Time is the ultimate non-renewable resource. And we are rapidly running out of it." -- William Shatner, actor and writer

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Youth Issues

Violence mars Black College Reunion weekend

By Ron Word

DAYTONA BEACH, Fla. (April 12) - A year after a police shootout marred Black College Reunion, two shootings and two stabbings left one person dead and three in the hospital April 11.

Craig Grover of Jacksonville, died the night of April 11 at Halifax Medical Center, nursing supervisor Judith Dyke said. Ansie Pierre, 24, of Miami, was found wounded in the stomach at a nearby motel about 100 yards away. He was listed in stable condition.

The shooting began after an argument about a drink that was poured on someone's girlfriend, Daytona Beach Mayor Bud Asher said.

In a separate incident, a Daytona Beach woman was stabbed in the neck following an argument at the Desert Inn. The victim, identified as Shaneta Leshawn Jones, 20, was upgraded from critical to stable condition Sunday at Halifax Medical Center. No arrests were made, although Davis said a suspect was identified.

Despite the violence, the host city's mayor declared the weekend a success. Mayor Bud Asher said the incidents were isolated.

"I am not going to let it spoil the good things that happened at BCR," Asher said.

Black College Reunion started in 1984 as a small gathering of students from historically Black Florida A&M University in Tallahassee and nearby Bethune-Cookman College. It now competes



Three New York City students pose for the cameras of some female admirers during the Black College Reunion in Daytona Beach. The Reunion, held every year since 1984, now competes with Atlanta's Freaknik as "the place to be" for Black students during Spring Break. The primary activities are cruising, partying, and ogling members of the opposite sex.

(Photo by the Associated Press)

with Atlanta's Freaknik as the place to go for a "Black spring break."

Cruising, partying and ogling members of the opposite sex are the primary activities of the event, which drew an estimated 100,000 celebrants.

A stabbing April 10 in Ormond Beach, about 5 miles northwest of Daytona Beach, resulted in the arrest of an Orlando woman, who was charged with aggravated assault for allegedly wounding a man from Alabama.

Timothy Jordan, 21, of Birmingham, Ala., was listed in satisfactory condition.

As of April 11, police had made more than 300 arrests, 12 for firearms possession and related charges. They wrote about 2,400 citations.

In 1998, 329 arrests were made and 926 citations were written over the three-day event. A man was killed and four police officers were wounded in a shootout that year.

Reading Between the Lines

by Trey Bankhead

Please read the article to the left, titled "Violence mars Black College Reunion weekend." As an Associated Press affiliate, we often make use of articles given to us by the various newswire services. However, we also make a point of critically reading each submission, looking for hidden messages that could be damaging to the Black community. The article to the left contains such messages.

First of all, look at the title. It suggests that the violence was such that it made a significant impact upon the Black College Reunion. Such was not the case: even Dayton Beach's mayor declared the event a success.

A second problem with the title is that it suggests that the violence was in some way caused by the massive influx of Blacks to the area. This statement is true only insofar as to assume that if any large group comes to a city, there will be problems of one nature or

another. To merely assume the problem is related to race shows either (at best) a misunderstanding of the true picture or (at worst) a willful disregard of the truth. A case could be made (and has been made) that whether or not the crime rate in the city of Greenville will go up or not depends on whether East Carolina University is open. Even though it is easily proven that the crime rate goes up when the school opens, and plummets when the summer comes, you'll notice that no one actually blames ECU for it. For the media at large to support this double standard is illogic of a most distasteful kind, and frankly, media at large needs to do better.

That the title alone is misleading is bad enough. However, when you delve into the actual substance of the story, you discover more inconsistencies. For example, it is fascinating to note the facility in which the writer, who works for the Associated Press, uses the police reports for the area to support his

story. Unfortunately, he fails in his duty as an objective journalist when he so easily glosses over the fact that in each of the violent incidents mentioned, the person committing the crime was a local.

Think about that.....perhaps one hundred thousand Black students descend upon Daytona, stay there for the weekend, and the crimes committed that supposedly mar the weekend were committed by the local residents?

The problem the media is this: we're not gods. People expect us to tell the truth about the reality we observe in as objective a fashion as possible. However, every single person observes reality from their own unique point of view (which is controlled by our own, hidden, biases) which invalidates the "objective" part of our job.

Question the news you receive from the media. Read between the lines. You'll often discover a truth that is vastly different from what others want you to perceive.

Nestle honors "The Very Best" of nation's youth

GLENDAL, Calif.--(BUSINESS WIRE)--Thirty-two young people from across America will receive Nestle's "Very Best In Youth" award for their academic achievements and community service.

Sponsored by Nestle USA and Reading Is Fundamental (RIF), the Very Best in Youth award was

established in 1996. The 1999 winners were selected from some 500 entries nationwide.

"I am very proud of the accomplishments of these exceptional young people," said Kenneth Bentley, vice president, Nestle Community Affairs. "They look like America. They are from small towns like Gap Mills, West Virginia and from large metropolitan cities such as Detroit, Michigan, and they represent every color of the ethnic rainbow."

"What binds them together is a thirst for reading and a strong desire to make their communities and the world a better place to live. They are truly an inspiration to both their peers and to adults."

The Nestle Very Best In Youth program honors young people who have made reading and learning a priority and, in the process, have made a tangible contribution to the quality of life in their communities.

The young people selected were chosen from nominees submitted by teachers, parents, friends and RIF coordinators and volunteers. All will be featured in a special publication and honored at a ceremony in Los Angeles August 19, 1999.

"My heartiest congratulations go

to all of the honorees -- and to the families, teachers, and community members who have supported these young people's achievements and therefore share in this honor," said Dr. William E. Trueheart, RIF's president and chief executive officer.

"Each Very Best In Youth honoree has demonstrated in his or her own unique and inspiring way the important links between reading, learning, and community service."

"These young people are so positive about life, so sure they can have an impact on their community, it is easy to see how they have come to represent the potential of all of America's youth," said Bentley. "These are the leaders, the shapers of the next generation, whether it be as poets or scientists, teachers or public servants."

Trueheart also thanked Nestle for developing and supporting the Very Best In Youth program, which he noted is "just one of the many ways that Nestle USA has supported Reading Is Fundamental over the years. It recognizes the essence of what RIF is all about: our nation's young people. Nestle Chairman Joe Weller and Nestle employees have set a very high standard of support for RIF and America's children."

Communities from Los Angeles to Berkeley Heights, N.J., have benefited from the efforts of this group of young people. The projects include building houses for Habitat for Humanity, organizing food drives for the homeless, raising money for cancer research and fundraising to help a classmate with Cystic Fibrosis.

"I'm very excited about being chosen as a 'Very Best In Youth,'" said Julia Anderson of Oklahoma City. "This award is about doing your best and trying to help others, and that's something we all can do to make our community a better place to live."

For Nestle, good corporate citi-

zenship means more than just writing a check. The Very Best In Youth program is just one of many ways the corporation and its thousands of employees, including Chairman Joe Weller, give back to the community year-round, with a focus on education.

The company's community out-

reach includes: the "Very Best Volunteer Adopt-A-School Program"; the publishing of an acclaimed series of books highlighting African-American, Hispanic, women and children role models for continuing inspiration and guidance; the "Very Best College Scholarship Fund"; continuing financial support of RIF, which has paved the way for the distribution of more than a million books to children; and a matching contribution plan for employee donations to both RIF and the United Way.

Reading Is Fundamental (RIF) develops and delivers children's and family literacy programs that help prepare young children for reading and motivate older children to read. Through a national network of teachers, parents, and community volunteers, RIF programs provide children with books and other essential literacy resources, at no cost to them or their families. RIF focuses highest priority on the nation's neediest children, from birth to age 11.

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With headquarters in Glendale, Nestle USA has 19,500 employees, \$8 billion in sales, and is part of Swiss-based Nestle S.A. -- the world's largest food company.

Parents blame shooting on Hollywood

By James Prichard

PADUCAH, Ky. (April 12) - The parents of three students killed during a shooting spree at a Kentucky high school are taking on the entertainment industry, claiming that media violence inspired the boy who fired the shots.

On April 12, the parents announced their intent to file a \$130 million lawsuit against two Internet porn sites, several computer game companies and the makers and distributors of the 1995 Leonardo DiCaprio film "The Basketball Diaries."

The suit was filed in U.S. District Court April 12, lawyers said.

"We intend to hurt Hollywood. We intend to hurt the video game industry. We intend to hurt sex porn sites" on the Internet, said Jack Thompson, one of the parents' lawyers.

The lawsuit claims that confessed shooter Michael Carneal, a 14-year-old freshman at Heath

High School at the time of the Dec. 1, 1997, shootings, was influenced by the violence in "The Basketball Diaries" and by several violent computer games such as "Doom," "Quake," and "Mortal Kombat."

One scene in "The Basketball Diaries" shows a dream sequence in which the main character, played by DiCaprio, guns down his teacher and some of his classmates.

The suit also claims Carneal shootings, was an avid computer user who logged onto Internet porn sites to view sexually violent material.

The shooting spree claimed the lives of Jessica James, Kayce Steger and Nicole Hadley and wounded five other students.

"We believe the Heath shooter was influenced by the movies he watched, the computer games he played and the Internet sites he visited," Sabrina Steger, Kayce's mother, told reporters.

Carneal pleaded guilty but mentally ill last October to nine charges, including three counts of murder and five counts of at-

tempted murder. In December, he was sentenced to life in prison with no possibility of parole for at least 25 years.

Among the defendants listed in the lawsuit are the film's makers and distributors, including Time Warner Inc. and Polygram Film Entertainment Distribution Inc.; computer game makers Nintendo of America Inc., Sega of America Inc. and Sony Computer Entertainment Inc.; and the Internet sex sites Network Authentication Systems Inc. and Meow Media Inc.

The parents also filed a state lawsuit last December charging Carneal, his parents and several administrators, teachers and students at the school with being partly responsible for the shootings.

Visiting Judge Will Shadoan later dismissed 24 defendants - 19 administrators and teachers and five students - from the lawsuit. But the parents have asked the Kentucky Court of Appeals to reinstate the 24 as defendants.

We need a title for our "Youth Issues" page!

Please call Trey Bankhead or Stephen Johnson at 757-0365 with your suggestions, or fax them to 757-1793!

WORDS & WISDOM

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An In-Depth Look

Young people join together in fight against human-rights abuses

(originally published under the title "Will We Help Them Save the World?" in Parade magazine)

By Colin Greer

"I became an old person at 14," Genevieve Sangudi says. "Nothing I experienced before mattered. Everything changed. One world ended, and another one began."

Genevieve is now 22. Her family fled Liberia—where civil war was tearing the country apart—when she was 14, finally reaching the United States in 1991.

"For me, everything has been shaped by war," Genevieve says, "especially my awareness of our human capacity for evil and for good. When the horrors of Rwanda hit the world press soon after I arrived in the United States, people were shocked and wondered how that could happen. But I know what it was like."

Eva Morales also knows. "I was imprisoned at the age of 12," she remembers. Now just over 30, Morales is a Guatemalan who arrived in the U.S. after living through civil war in her country. "I had to watch as family members were taken away, never to be seen again," she says.

Every year, more than 100,000 victims of political violence make their way to the U.S. Many are children who have experienced brutality, terror and fear in their short lifetimes. Among these survivors are some remarkable young people. In response to the horrors they witnessed, they have founded

an international human rights organization for youth called Global YouthConnect (GYC). Its purpose is to bring together committed youth of all nations to support other young people around the world who are working for peace.

Seven of the 16 core members grew up in nations torn apart by civil war or ravaged by strife with neighboring countries. Eight are Americans who have worked with them. A ninth American—Hameed Williams, 26, of Brooklyn, N.Y., who has worked on human-rights issues in this country since he was 14—recently was added. The group decided to focus on the U.S. as well, recognizing that children at home also can be traumatized—by impoverished inner cities, migrant labor camps and from neglect, abuse and violence (even in prosperous suburbs).

The group was formed in 1997 when Dr. Frank Ochberg, a psychiatrist specializing in trauma, approached Judith Thompson, an American who had worked with children from war-torn countries who were trying to spark activism in U.S. schools. His idea was to create an international human-rights organization for youth. Thompson helped form a nucleus of extraordinary young people who would become Global YouthConnect. The Dart Foundation, which Dr. Ochberg represents and which supports many projects dealing with victims of violence, contributed \$75,000 to get things started.

Until now, the group's projects have been small, restricted to the members' native countries. But now Global YouthConnect plans to expand, says Thompson, and to train young people from around the world here in the U.S. The 16 original members are the group's steering committee.

"Global YouthConnect's mission," says Thompson, "is to support young people in action around the world—young people who are the victims of human-rights abuses

and young people who are standing up to those who commit such abuses. We also aim to inspire others who might be bystanders to

these events to become engaged with those who have no choice but to be engaged because their very lives are at stake."

As Genevieve Sangudi says: "How can we expect things to get better if we don't take responsibility for making them better? The work of individuals together can add up to a powerful force for change."

But as the young people worked together, something unexpected happened: They changed themselves as well. Talking with others similarly wounded, they were able to reveal long pent-up wounds and to heal.

I spoke with members of YouthConnect individually and as a group in New York City, a usual meeting place. They talked openly about the scars they carry. "It's over on the outside, but it goes on inside for those who survive and must go on," says Mirsad Jacevic, known as Miki.

Miki, 27, is from Sarajevo. "Some of my close friends and family were caught in the siege," he recalls, and I saw many die from hunger as well as random acts of violence. My grandmother was the person who taught me about tolerance. She never understood the hatreds, and the ethnic cleansing horrified her. She was Muslim and accepted my non-Muslim father. I learned the value of accepting others from her." He pauses. "She was caught in the area of the city where there was no food to be had, and she starved to death."

Arn Chorn-Pond, 31, is from Cambodia. "The Khmer Rouge (the Communist guerrilla army that took over the country) killed my friends and family without warning," he says. "To the Khmer Rouge there was no excuse for crying. I watched children my own age being taken to work fields and executed when they cried. I learned how not to cry when I saw those horrible things happen. If I had cried, I too would have been executed."

"My big job has been to learn how to cry, to get my feelings back, to get myself back, to be with others," he adds. "Somehow sharing the pain has been the way in which I could find myself again and commit myself to the world."

Acutely aware of how years of brutalization can bring about a paralysis of will in individuals as well as an entire community, members focus on peaceful rebuilding and leadership development among young people. They also intend to educate American youth to take action in human-rights issues at home and abroad. They all meet about once a month to discuss potential projects.

"So many people, young and old, have grown up with so much horror and so much fear that they are frozen inside, like I was," says Eva Morales. "When millions of young people are closed up because of what they have seen and endured, there is no chance for freedom to come to a whole society. Talking about my experiences with the group, becoming free, has made me want to do it for people back home."

Eva brought together a group of 20 Guatemalans in their late teens and early 20's. "We began talking about what they had seen and felt," she says. Her group quickly grew to 100, spreading to other parts of the country.

Arn Chorn-Pond started his project with a small group of Cambodian orphans and prostitutes, building an organization called Cambodian Volunteers for Community Development. It now

has more than 50,000 members, aged 5 to 25, who are involved in community rebuilding projects: Some build houses and roads,

others provide services for youths who have been physically and emotionally devastated by their experiences.

Arn also has looked to the artistic traditions of Cambodia to help repair its society. "I have been raising money to find old musicians who've been hiding during the wars and to bring them to teach young people in order to pass on our culture's traditions," he says. "I myself have learned from such masters. The war cut us off from our culture. Through our art and

music, I believe we can help to heal and make ourselves ready for the work ahead."

In addition to healing, Global YouthConnect emphasizes peaceful protest. "We think acts of courage are important," says Hafsat Abiola, 24. Her father, the elected president of Nigeria, was imprisoned in 1993 after a military takeover. He recently died, still in prison. Hafsat's mother, who worked for his release, was herself shot dead by military agents in 1996. In the U.S., Hafsat has worked to promote democracy

in Nigeria.

"We want to use the power that grows among us for others too," she says. "We want to spread the spark of healing and encourage acts of courage. The world needs that so badly. It's so easy to be a bystander, to watch things from afar, to wish they were better but to do nothing about it."

Miki Jacevic sought to organize support for young activists in Kosovo, Serbia. When word came that a student demonstration was planned there in March 1998, even

after students had been beaten in past demonstrations, Miki arranged for a small group of American students to travel to Kosovo to stand witness. (This time no violence occurred.)

What motivates the American members of Global YouthConnect?

"So many young people don't tap into their true power," says Martin Dunn, who grew up in a Boston suburb. "They shrink from caring and create a kind of isolation for themselves. This is reinforced by how the world so often refuses to listen to young people."

"But young people can spark enormous change. Think of the young people at Tiananmen Square or in Indonesia recently. Think of Martin Luther King, Jr., who was 26 when he led the civil rights movement. We want to challenge young people to think differently and follow their thoughts into action. We can reshape by the world together."

For information, call 1-888-473-3828 or send e-mail to contact@globalyouthconnect.org. You can also visit their website at www.globalyouthconnect.org.

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HAFSAT ABIOLA, 24

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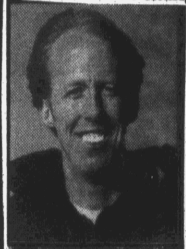


too. We want to encourage acts of courage. The world needs that so badly. It's so easy to watch things from afar and do nothing."

Born in Nigeria, which for 28 of its 38 years of independence has been ruled by the military. There have been at least 7000 political prisoners, including Hafsat's father, who died there. Her mother was shot dead in 1996.

MARTIN DUNN, 32

// Young people can spark enormous change in a country.

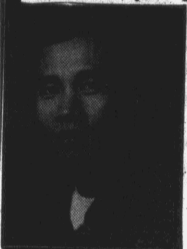


Think of Tiananmen Square. Think of America and Martin Luther King Jr., who was 26 when he led the civil rights movement."

Born in a Boston suburb, he wished to connect to the larger world. Young people "grow up afraid of losing income or opportunity or reputation," he says, but the courage of survivors "helps me and others find the courage we need."

ARN CHORN-POND, 31

// My big job has been to learn how to cry, to get my feelings



back, to get myself back. Sharing the pain has been the way in which I could find myself again and commit myself to the world."

Born in Cambodia. Under the Khmer Rouge, 1.7 million Cambodians died between 1975 and 1979 (a quarter of the population) through forced labor, starvation and executions. Almost all Cambodian families were destroyed.

MIKI JACEVIC, 27

// Some of my close friends and family were caught in the



siege, and I saw many, including my grandmother, die of hunger... It's over on the outside, but it goes on inside for those who survive."

Born in Sarajevo, which was under siege from 1992 to 1995. Approximately 200,000 of a population of 500,000 fled. More than 10,000 were killed—including 1500 children—and 50,000 civilians were wounded.

EVA MORALES, 30

// I was afraid of people. I couldn't tell them about my



experiences. As I became able to tell them, I got more and more free. I want to bring that freedom to people back home."

Born in Guatemala, which for 36 years was torn apart by civil war. More than 150,000 people were killed, 50,000 are still missing and more than a million civilians (out of 10 million) were driven from their homes or forced into exile.

GENEVIEVE SANGUDI, 22

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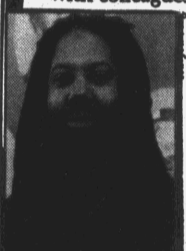


responsibility for making them better? Individuals working together can add up to a powerful force for change."

Born in Liberia, which experienced a violent civil war from 1989 to 1996. At least 15,000 children were used as soldiers. More than 150,000 people died, including as many as 50,000 children and teenagers.

HAMEED WILLIAMS, 26

// I value the opportunity to work with colleagues from many



countries in efforts to change conditions of oppression and violence that affect people here in the U.S. and around the world."

Born in Brooklyn, where he has been an activist on U.S. human-rights and civil-rights issues since age 14. In college, he founded the National Youth Network, which focuses on violence and abuse against African-Americans.

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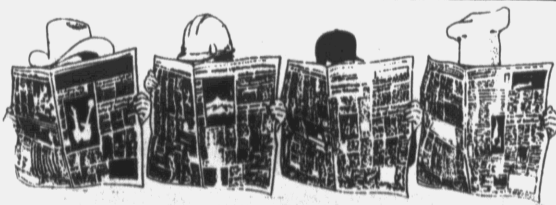


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1. Keep it short.
2. Bring something for the patient (Bunch of grapes, a couple of magazines).
3. Keep sick children at home.
4. Children shouldn't make personal remarks about the patient.
5. Children should try not to stare at other patients.
6. Children shouldn't run or shout.

AUDIENCE PARTICIPATION

1. Stay in your seat.
2. Don't kick the seat in front of you.
3. Don't talk.
4. Don't eat or drink.

TABLE MANNERS

1. Come to the table with clean hands and face.
2. Bow your head if a blessing is said.
3. Hold the fork like a pencil.
4. Don't hold your fork in your fist when you cut food.
5. Take small bites.
6. Don't wash food down with drinks.
7. Don't gulp drinks.
8. Use your napkin discreetly.
9. Ask, don't grab.
10. Taste every food.
11. Don't criticize the food.
12. Put your knife and fork together at the end of the meal.
13. Don't eat and run.
14. Take your cues from the hostess.
15. Use cutlery (knives, forks, spoons) from outside in.
16. Spoon soup away from you.
17. Offer serving plates to your neighbor first.
18. Salt and pepper are passed together.
19. Bread is meant to be broken.
20. Don't crumple your napkin or blow your nose on it.
21. Don't drink from the finger bowls.

MANNERS OF SPEECH

1. Speak when you are spoken to.
2. No whispering.
3. No muttering.
4. Don't be a smart aleck.
5. Don't contradict.
6. Avoid insults.
7. Say "You're welcome" when someone thanks you.
8. When someone says "How are you?" answer, "Fine, how are you?"
9. Say "I'm sorry" when you bump into someone.
10. Keep it clean.
11. If you can't say something nice, don't say anything at all.
12. If you must tease, do it carefully.
13. Avoid personal remarks, unless they're compliments.
14. Keep your voice down.

SLEEPOVER MANNERS

1. Follow the family routine.
2. Eat what's offered.
3. Don't keep the other kids awake.
4. Don't wake anybody up unless there's an emergency.
5. Take home everything you brought.
6. Say "Thank you" when you leave.

COMPUTER COURTESY

1. No food or drink near the computer.
2. No sticky fingers on the keys.
3. Put things back the way they were.
4. No snooping.

WHAT GROWN-UPS LIKE

1. Speak when you're spoken to.
2. Do as you're asked.
3. Ask nicely.
4. "Please" and "Thank you" are essential.
5. Don't grab.

IN THE CAR

1. Do not offer rides to other children without consulting the driver.
2. Don't expect the car pool to transport pets, sports equipment, or bulky school projects, without warning.
3. Do not expect changes that lengthen the route.
4. No bathroom talk.
5. Don't touch the radio dial.
6. Don't criticize the music.
7. Ask permission before eating in the car.
8. Don't leave any litter.

9. Don't criticize the car or the way it's driven.

YOUNG ROMANCE

1. No PDA's--that stands for "Public Display of Affection: kissing, nuzzling, whatever.
2. Don't tie up the phone.
3. Don't tie up the computer.
4. Take it easy on the gifts.
5. Be nice.
6. Gentlemen, walk on the outside of the sidewalk.
7. Gentlemen, rise when a lady enters the room.
8. A gentleman holds a lady's chair as she seats herself at the table.

FAMILY MEALTIMES

1. Eat regular meals together.
2. Turn off the TV, turn down the music.
3. Turn on the answering machine. (Helping your children appreciate that mealtimes are as much about communication as they are about eating is the first step to instilling good table manners.

HATS OFF

1. During the Pledge of Allegiance or the National Anthem.

2. In some houses of worship.
3. At the table.
4. Extra credit: In an elevator, when a lady enters.

SIMPLE TIPS

1. Say "Hello" and "Goodbye."
2. Say "Please".
3. If you make their job more difficult, apologize.
4. Say "Thank you".

From: *Elbows Off the Table, Napkin in the Lap, No Video Games During Dinner: The Modern Guide to Teaching Children Good Manners*, by Carol Wallace, M.D.

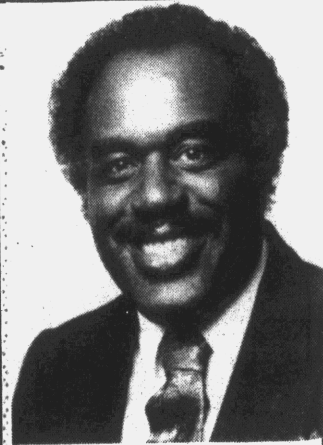
ANNOUNCEMENTS

Our condolences to the families of Reverend Clarence Gray and Dr. Elbert E. Jones.

Mrs. Mattie Barnes has recently returned from Chicago, Illinois, where she was visiting with her daughter.

Spiritual Thoughts

On speaking in tongues.....part 1



Pastor Dr. George Hawkins

The prophet Joel spoke, "In the last days, God says, I will pour out my spirit on all flesh... your sons and daughters will prophesy." (Joel 2:28-32). The Apostle Peter insisted that the outpouring of the Holy Spirit is the fulfillment of this scripture. Other prophets in the Old Testament foretold of the coming of the Holy Spirit with the evidence of speaking in tongues. Isaiah 28:11-12 says: "For with stammering lips and another tongue will he speak to

this people. To who he said, this is the rest wherewith ye may cause the weary to rest; and this is the refreshing..." Speaking in tongues is an evidence of having been baptized in the Holy Spirit. There is much concern and mystery today among some non-evangelical Christians about this "talking in tongues." All that is necessary for them to do is to open the Bible, read the Word, and know the Truth. They also

differ on whether a person filled with the Spirit will eventually speak in tongues as proof of His presence. Some say yes; others think no single gift is greater than any other, so that a person may manifest a gift other than tongues and yet be considered filled with the Holy Spirit. But in all my years of ministry, I have never seen any one who was truly baptized in the Spirit who did not talk in tongues, for tongues is a

sign for the unbeliever. It is the initial supernatural sign even before the change in a person's life is evidenced. It is the beginning of it all. It is the door into the rest of the spiritual gifts. Tongues is a language given directly by God to help you pray, worship, and prophesy. Some evangelical (Bible-believing) Christians pray in tongues daily because it helps them to know the will of God for their lives. Romans 8:26-27

reads: "Likewise the Spirit also helpeth our infirmities, for we know not what we should pray as we ought, but the Spirit itself maketh intercessions for us with groanings which cannot be uttered." (To be continued next issue)

Dr. George A. Hawkins is the pastor of the Tabernacle Church of Deliverance in Greenville.

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The History of Black America

History's Hidden Holocaust: The Massacre on Black Wall Street

By Richard Muhammad and Tryone Muhammad

Seventy-eight years ago Whites and Blacks fought a Memorial Day weekend battle in Tulsa, Okla. In the end, 36 blocks of property with homes, movie theaters, a bank, hospital, 21 churches, 30 grocery stores and a post office were destroyed and a prosperous Black community lay in ruins.

A commission set up by the state legislature is looking into the assault on "Black Wall Street," in Tulsa's Greenwood section, and soon hopes to say whether reparations are due to descendants of Black victims, and hopes to tell the story of exactly what happened.

"What we're finding of the Tulsa riot is that it was a violent, tragic event in Oklahoma's history, laid on top of the racial conflicts of the time because it was a Jim Crow state. Also, it was a segregated community and a violent community, as the Wild West was, especially on the oil frontier that Tulsa was on in 1921," said Dr. Bob Blackburn, commission chairman in an interview with *The Final Call*.

The Tulsa Race Riot Commission includes seven Blacks and six Whites, an archaeologist and a pathologist. It was the brainchild of Don Ross, a Black state representative, who grew up in Tulsa and whose family members are survivors of the 1921 race riot.

"Rep. Ross felt that there was never a public dialogue on the

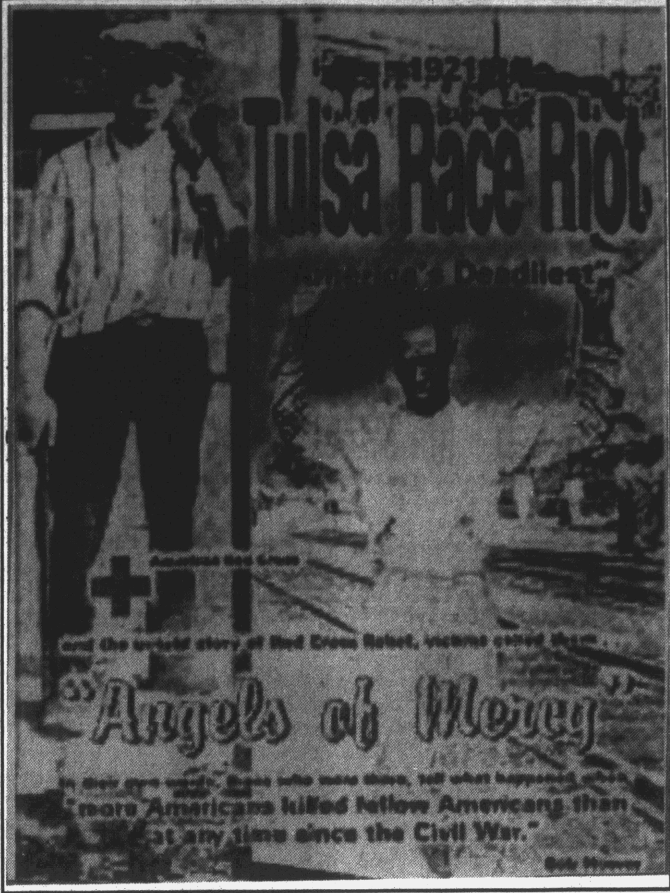
Tulsa riot. One, what was truth, how many people lost their lives, how much property was destroyed, who was involved and how did all of these mixed memories in the White and the Black community come about," said Dr. Blackburn.

The search for truth isn't an easy task. Whites estimate deaths at about 700 and deny collusion by city leaders to ransack "Little America," as the Black district was also called. Many Blacks on the other hand, and some authors, adamantly declare city officials, the National Guard and ordinary White citizens are to blame for an all-out assault, ignited after a White woman accused a Black shoeshine man of assaulting her in an elevator, but really fueled by White jealousy.

Blacks and Whites fought each other in the street with guns, knives and other weapons. Outnumbered and outgunned, surviving Blacks, who ran out of ammunition, were rounded up, then beaten, shot or even killed before interment in a city convention center, according to some Blacks and authors.

Nitroglycerin and dynamite were even dropped on Black Wall Street, according to Blacks and White policeman, whose account were captured in a 1921 *Chicago Defender* article.

In the article, reproduced in the book "Angels of Mercy," the policeman says prominent city officials met and planned how to drop bombs on the district from airplanes. The community had grown



prosperous as segregation forced Blacks to do business with one another and, some say, intermarriage with Indians led to ownership of land where oil was later discovered.

There are "different perceptions of the Tulsa race riots. Probably, on the one side, at the far end of the spectrum would be it was a conspiracy to destroy the Black community. At the other far end,

you have some saying these people got what was coming to them and why drag this up again, Dr. Blackburn admits.

"Racial unrest and violence against African-Americans permeated domestic developments in the United States during the post-World War I era. From individual lynchings to massive violence against entire Black communities, Whites in both the North and South lashed out against Black Americans with a rage that knew no bounds," said a report compiled by four university scholars for Florida's state legislature. The state used the report to pay \$7 million in reparations to descendants of Blacks who suffered a similar attack in the 1923 Rosewood, Fla., massacre, where a Black community was decimated.

Greg Brown, of the Milwaukee-based Black Holocaust Society, which has a website devoted to the Tulsa massacre on the Internet, adamantly declares Whites need to give up deeds to land taken from Blacks who fled. The families of Black victims deserve reparations and should get the land back, he said. "What is to be learned is how vile a race of people can be," said Mr. Brown. He blames White hatred, jealousy and arrogance for the Tulsa riot.

Dr. Blackburn feels it's too early to conclude White Tulsans specifically wanted to destroy Black Wall Street. He argues Whites were making more money off of the prosperous business district than

Blacks were.


Ray Winbush, of the Race Relations Institute at Fisk University in Nashville, doesn't agree. "If it wasn't about Black Wall Street, I don't know what it was about. Because it was clear that all of the violence was directed towards Black people. What's critical is how Whites will cover up what these things were," he said.

Curtis Ballard, a professor at Langston University, Oklahoma's only historically Black college and a commission member calls the riot "one of the darkest things in Oklahoma's history and one of the darkest things in America's race relations." Saying he didn't want to "exacerbate tensions," Mr. Ballard conceded "government officials did not do what they should have done to keep the riot from spreading."

Mr. Winbush believes reparations are necessary not only to give justice to victims of the past, but to also help America come to grips with race. "Nearly every 20 years, the United States has suffered from some kind of major race riot, and if problems aren't addressed race war may be inevitable," he warned.

Richard Muhammad and Tryone Muhammad are both writers for *The Final Call* newspaper.


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