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It was an exciting time for students and their mentors in the Cleveland Avenue Academic program as they prepared to leave for their Chapel Hill field trip.

## Mayor's Task Force the difference Education program is key

By PATRICIA SMITH-DEERING  
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A program that grew out of a task force established by Mayor Martha Wood to help children in a Winston-Salem Housing project is providing new outlets for them that were not there before. And it may be helping to transform one of the most drug-infested and crime-ridden areas in the city.

As the buses idled in front of the Cleveland Avenue Community Center, participants from the Cleveland Avenue Academic Program enjoyed a breakfast of doughnuts, sausage biscuits, and orange juice in preparation for their first field trip.

Mayor Martha Wood was there to commend them on their participation in the program and wish them well. Along with 60 or so youth, more than 20 adults were also gathered, volunteers and staff from the various organizations that are making the Academic Program work: Making A Difference (MAD), the Residents' Council, the Salvation Army Boys' and Girls'

Clubs, and the Winston-Salem Housing Authority.

The field trip to Chapel Hill that followed was an extension of the Cleveland Avenue Academic Program's efforts to provide positive learning and growth opportunities for the young people in that public housing community. The group had an exciting day of activities that included a visit to Morehead Planetarium for a stellar show, attendance at a Blue and White football scrimmage at the University of North Carolina-Chapel Hill's football stadium, and a tour of the Dean Dome.

And the outing also included more food. According to Bill McClain, athletic director at the Martin Luther King unit of the Salvation Army Boys' Club, "The kids ate all day...They didn't get hungry." Thanks to the Chamber Task Force, the Boys' Club, and the Housing Authority—who jointly sponsored the buses, there were snacks for the bus ride down and back, hot lunches after their arrival in Chapel Hill, and a pizza

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## N.A.T.I.O.N.A.L NEWS

### Ohio homicide rate soars

COLUMBUS, Ohio (AP) Black leaders say the city's spiraling homicide rate has renewed efforts among churches and other community centers to stem the tide of violence.

Forty-nine homicides have been investigated in Columbus in 1991. The city had 92 slayings last year, including 17 by early April.

"We have no reason to fear the Ku Klux Klan because we're killing each other," said Darrell Ayers, deacon of Deliverance Apostolic Church, a predominantly black church on the northeast side.

### West Point gets black female

WATERLOO, Iowa (AP) The first black female to serve as student council president at West High School in Waterloo will be the first black woman from Iowa to attend West Point.

Leona Sanders was nominated for the United States Military Academy by Rep. Dave Nagle, D-Iowa. She said her admissions counselor at the academy told her she was the first black woman from Iowa to attend West Point.

"I think West has a reason to be proud, I think her parents have a reason to be proud, and she has a reason to be proud," said Nagle.

### Blacks still live in isolation

MIAMI (AP) About 30 percent of the nation's urban black population still lives in racial isolation in neighborhoods that are at least 90 percent black, according to a newspaper study.

In a study based on comparison of 1990 and 1980 census figures, The Miami Herald reports in today's editions that more than 9.1 million blacks still live in virtual racial isolation.

That total is almost identical to 1980, when 34 percent of blacks lived in isolation.

### Meredith launches campaign

JACKSON Miss. (AP) Civil rights activist James Meredith, stumping Monday in Jackson to be a candidate for president, says he expects to draw strength at the polls from "silent" supporters who want liberals out of government.

Meredith, 57, the first black to attend the University of Mississippi, wants to win the Republican nomination for president in 1992.

Meredith, attired in a blue seersucker suit and tennis shoes, marched from the Governor's Mansion to the state Capitol.

## Officers dumped after investigation

By RUDY ANDERSON  
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Winston-Salem police chief George Sweat has taken disciplinary action against several of the department's officers for unacceptable conduct because of their involvement in the alleged harassment of a city man nearly a month ago. That action has resulted in the dismissal or resignation of at least two officers.

But the man who was the object of their actions wants to know what else the city is prepared to do about the situation.

Johnelle Hunter, who complained to the internal affairs division of the city police department, says the treatment he got caused him a lot more than just mental anguish.

"I'm a peaceful man, but now I'm mad. They hurt my arm and shoulder, have forced me to stay near home answering questions, or in a doctor's office and kept me from doing my work," Hunter said. "I need to know what's going to be done about that."

The public safety committee met in executive session Monday to hear a report on the chief's action. Public safety committee chair, Vivian Burke, emerged from the executive session and read a statement when the committee resumed the open session.

The statement reads in part, "The public safety com-

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—Johnelle Hunter

mittee received a report from the staff this evening regarding an incident that occurred on March 15.... This matter has been investigated by the police department and actions have been taken by the Chief." The statement also indicated that the matter was subject to further review if the citizen or employees chose to appeal the findings and actions of the chief.

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Photo by L.B. Speas Jr.

Hunter points to the spot where his ordeal began March 15.

## Tournament organizers choose Charlotte over W-S

By RUDY ANDERSON  
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A black college basketball tournament for seniors, whose organizers tried to locate it in Winston-Salem, has moved its base of operation to Charlotte instead.

Organizers of the Black College Basketball Classic held a news conference in Charlotte's Adam's Mark Hotel, the tournament's official hotel sponsor, last Thursday to make the announcement.

The tournament will feature 48 seniors representing more than 60 pre-

dominately black institutions across the country in a series of games over the two-day event to be played at the Winthrop Coliseum in Rock Hill, S.C., which is just across the state line from Charlotte.

The players in the tournament are supposed to get an opportunity to be seen by pro scouts from the National Basketball Association, the newly-formed World Basketball Association, the Continental Basketball League and other professional organizations. For most of these players, it marks the first time they will have had a chance to be seen, according

to the tournament's organizers.

"The organizers have worked extremely hard to pull this event off in a very short time period," said Joe Dunkelberger, the hotel's sales manager. "This is going to be a great, great event that has all the growth potential in the world for evolving into more than the average basketball tournament. I'm really happy Adam's Mark was selected as the official hotel."

The event is scheduled to begin Friday, April 25, when the players check in, and run through Sunday April 28.

Winston-Salem State University's

all-CIAA senior forward, Jonathan Harding, is scheduled to play.

In addition to the games, a host of other social activities have been planned in connection with the tournament.

Ephraim McDaniel, the tournament's chair and founder, had been negotiating with city officials to bring the tournament to Winston-Salem.

Assistant city manager Thomas Fredericks was surprised to hear that the tournament would be held in the Charlotte area. Fredericks said McDaniel had

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## No License

No one was seriously injured at the scene of a two-car accident which occurred Monday at the intersection of Metropolitan Drive and 4th Street.

A blue Chevrolet Celebrity with two female occupants was traveling east on 4th Street and collided with a two-tone brown Ford Galaxie 500, traveling north on Metropolitan Drive. It was driven by an elderly man who was the sole occupant of the car. The Ford then struck and toppled a heavy steel traffic signal pole before coming to a stop.

The only charge filed was against the 75-year-old man for driving with a learner's permit without a licensed driver present. All parties were treated and released. (Photo by L.B. Speas).