

IN OUR SCHOOLS



Chris Nifong at Ashley Middle School cookout.

Ashley Hosts Cookout

Ashley Middle School had a very warm open house with a cookout. The cookout was part of its fund-raiser for the 1993-94 school year.

Autumn Extravaganza

Hanes-Lowrance Middle School will host an "Autumn Extravaganza" Oct. 15 from 9 a.m. to 2 p.m. at the school, 2900 Indiana Ave. The fall festival will consist of booths, folklore and field events.

For more information call Marianne Smith or Penny Hazen at 727-2252.

Golden Key Award

The Golden Key Award will be given to the Downtown School for outstanding student involvement on Oct. 21 at 10:30 a.m. by State Superintendent of Schools Bob Etheridge.

The Downtown School's parent involvement project was selected as a 1993 Superintendent's Golden Key Award Winner.

The Student Council, parents, staff and representatives of the school's business partnerships (R.J.R. Tobacco, R.J.R. Tobacco International and Planters Lifesavers) are invited to attend.

Students of the Month

The Sims Center and R.J.Reynolds Tobacco Co. have selected Tyrone Davis and Samantha Johnson as Success Academy Students of the month.

Tyrone Davis, the 13-year-old son of Courtney Davis, attends Wiley Middle School. He is also an active participant in the William C. Sims Recreation Learning Center.

Johnson, 16, is a student at Parkland High School, where she is a varsity basketball player. Her parents are Leroy Gilcrest and Annie Johnson. The Learning Center provides motivational speakers as well as teachers for its students. The Learning Center and Success Academy meet from 4-5 p.m. four days a week.

Leadership Conference

Brodrick Pender has been selected to attend the National Young Leaders Conference from Oct. 26-31 in Washington, D.C.

The National Youth Leaders Conference is a leadership development program for outstanding high school students who have demonstrated leadership potential and scholastic merit. Pender, a junior at Carver High School, will be among 350 students attending the conference from across the country.



Brodrick Pender

The theme of the conference is "The Leaders of Tomorrow Meeting the Leaders of Today." Throughout the six-day conference, Pender will interact with key leaders and newsmakers from the three branches of government, the media and the diplomatic corps.

Highlights of the program include welcoming remarks from a member of Congress on the floor of the United States House of Representatives, a panel discussion with prominent journalists at the National Press Club and private performance by the Capitol Steps, a musical political satire troupe. Scholars will visit foreign embassies and receive policy briefings from senior government officials. Pender may also meet with Senators Lauch Faircloth and Jesse Helms and Rep. Stephen L. Neal or designated members of their staffs to discuss important issues facing Winston-Salem and the nation.

("In Our Schools" is a weekly calendar of events that chronicles goings on in our local schools. If you would like your event or information included, send them to: "In Our Schools" The Chronicle, P.O. Box 1636, Winston-Salem, N.C. 27102-1636. You may also fax it to 723-9173.)

CORRECTION

• Mr. and Mrs. Steve Jones of Winston-Salem announce the engagement of their daughter, Dannah Melisa Johnson of Silver Spring, Md., to Darryl L. Head of Glenarden, Md. In the Sept. 30 issue of the Chronicle, the fiancée was incorrectly identified. The Chronicle regrets this error.

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caused a division, but I could tell from some of the jockeying that what was going on was racially motivated."

The incident apparently involved the approval of the General Personnel Report. The report details promotions, hirings, firings, reprimands, resignations and pay raises of employees. The board was split with four votes apiece and had to return to executive session to revote. Shortly after the members returned, Marshall and Brown left.

Marshall said some board members said one thing in the public session of the meeting but said something different in the executive session.

"It had a strong odor of racism," he added. "I didn't feel like tolerating any more of it, so I walked out. That was the strongest statement we felt we could make."

Brown said she was extremely upset with what occurred at last Thursday's meeting. She declined to elaborate.

School Superintendent Larry Coble was also close-mouthed. He said Marshall and Brown had gone by the time he arrived at the meeting. Board Chairperson Nancy Wooten had to fill him in on what happened, he said.

Wooten, confirming that the issue was personnel related, said Tuesday night that she had discussed the matter with Coble for more

than two hours earlier Tuesday.

"We've got to be able to function as a board," she said. Marshall and Brown's actions "damn near shut us down."

"Not everybody (board members) is seeing this in the same light," she said about the issue that prompted the walk-out. "We will have another executive session, at which time we will address this problem. There's no quick fix here. It ain't that simple."

She said that if the board decides to vote on the issue, it will do so in public, but that wouldn't mean that the public would know what last week's fracas was all about.



Geneva Brown

AT&T Places from page A1

ing campaign (with AT&T) for advertising on a regular basis with black newspapers."

The controversy started over a racist illustration in the September edition of AT&T's Focus magazine that shows an ape using the telephone on the African continent. Four other continents — North America, South America, Asia and Europe — show human beings.

Stinson said the publication has been discontinued, and the two "editors responsible for reviewing it have been reassigned."

The NAACP and AT&T released a joint statement last week proclaiming "they held constructive discussions concerning the relationship of AT&T to the African-American community." The release also stated that the

two groups will pursue further dialogue on recruiting and promoting minorities to management positions, provide scholarships for black students, utilize black financial institutions and establish diversity training programs.

Stinson said the company has had a "commendable record over the last 20 years" with African Americans but still needs to make amends for the illustration.

"Our name was associated with the illustration, and I would think that an ad that addresses the unintentional insult would set the record straight that clearly we have had a good record with women and minorities," he said. "But despite our fine record, we need to focus on what we will do."

Edelman from page A1

for it," she said. "There is a new civil war raging at home, and we must fight together to save our children."

Contrary to the popular myth, Edelman said most children living in poverty are not black.

"We must ensure that every child has a head start in life," she said. "Not just poor and black children are at risk; the rich have turned to drugs because of an unstable family life and no sense of belonging."

Edelman compared America's inner cities to Vietnam, where the lives of many young

black males are being snuffed out.

"The American dream for many inner-city kids has become a choice between prison or death," she said. "We are losing more black men from gun shot wounds than all the lynching in history."

Edelman said while some things have gotten better, others have gotten worse. But positive role models, she said, will strengthen the family unit.

"We must de-emphasize power and money as the key to success," she said, "and define ourselves by how we help others."



Mariam Wright Edelman talks with members of the audience after her speech.

City's Number from page A1

"The ultimate goal is having an environment in city government that gives each person a chance to succeed," Beatty said. However, he added, "The numbers are still not what I would like for them to be."

Beatty said the city's goal is not to just hire minorities based on the percentage in the city's population, but to also reflect the numbers in the general workforce.

The number of blacks heading department in Winston-Salem is far above those in comparable-sized cities of Raleigh, Durham and Greensboro.

Frank Lewis, director of human resources for the city of Durham, said that of the 20 department heads, eight are African American. Two of the assistant city managers are black. Of the 1,627 filled positions, 748, or 46 percent, are manned by blacks, he said.

Durham has about 140,000 people, and about half of those are African-American.

"We've had a very good and aggressive affirmative action plan," Lewis said.

He said that the current and past mayors

"all have been staunch supporters of EEOC and affirmative action plans."

Patsy Burks, a compensation and benefits manager for the city of Greensboro, said that of the 16 departments only three are headed by African Americans. However, two of those three — police and fire — are the city's largest departments. A black also heads up the human relations department, she said.

Overall, there are 2,228 full-time employees in that city, and nearly 28 percent are black.

A Greensboro city planner said of the approximately 187,000 people in the city, about 33 percent, or 60,000, are black.

Robert Dominick, Raleigh's director of personnel, said out of the 17 departments, only one is headed by an African American. An assistant city manager is also black, Dominick said. However, he estimated that 37 percent of the total city workforce is black.

Raleigh has a populace of 212,000 people, Dominick said, and he estimated that about a quarter of that is African American.

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Osteoporosis may be robbing you of strong healthy bones - without you even knowing it! Discover how changing your lifestyle at any age can help prevent this disease.

Date: Tuesday, October 19, 1993
Time: 7-9:00 p.m.
Speakers: Rodger D. Israel, MD
Patricia Klein, Physician Assistant
Location: First Christian Church, 2320 Country Club Road

BREAST CANCER AWARENESS: WHAT EVERY WOMAN SHOULD KNOW

Learn about your risk of getting breast cancer and what you can do about it.

Date: Thursday, October 28
Time: 7-9:00 p.m.
Speaker: Sylvia Beane, RN, BSN & Oncology Nurse Educator
Location: CMI Community Education Center
855 B Bethesda Road

STRESS: WHO NEEDS IT?

Get the latest tips on how to reduce and relieve the stress you face in your daily life - just in time for the holidays!

Date: Tuesday, November 9, 1993
Time: 7-9:00 p.m.
Speaker: Anne Murray, Ph.D., Clinical Psychology
Location: CMI Community Education Center, 855B Bethesda Road

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