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SINS OF A LEGENDARY FATHER

Daughter of MLK's right hand man breaks silence about abuse

BY LAYLA FARMER THE CHRONICLE

Chevara Orrin awoke in a panic; feeling her father's naked body in her bed, pressing against her in the darkness. At 12, she was old enough to know what he was doing was wrong. Yet Orrin, now 40, says she felt powerless to stop him. "I remember being just petrified," Orrin said about that night in Memphis, Tenn. "I felt like I couldn't breathe; I was very confused."



James Bevel

ed the room, leaving his young daughter shaking and frightened. She would never be the same after that. "(He) altered my life," she said. "Whoever I was to become; I am someone else." As soon as her father walked out the door, Orrin sought the comfort of younger sister, Bacardi, who was asleep in the room in another bed during the entire ordeal. "I immediately woke her up," Orrin said. The two girls locked themselves in the bathroom, where Orrin says her sister washed their father's semen from her thigh. But no amount of soap and water could quash the memory of what had happened to her. The idea that any adult would abuse a child is

Moments later, she says, her father rose and exit-

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Chevara Orrin is breaking her silence.

Photo by Garrett Garris



Rev. Lartey hopes to fill this trailer with supplies and food for Haitians.

Pastor reaches out to Haiti

BY LAYLA FARMER THE CHRONICLE

The Rev. Seth Lartey was appalled. He listened raptly as the National Public Radio (NPR) reporter described a Haitian mother who used a few grains of rice to season hot water. It was the only thing she had to feed her children. The pastor knew the woman's story was hardly unique. Two of his church members had recently visited Haiti and given similar accounts of the dire circumstances there.



Lartey

"We're talking about a very, very deplorable situation," said Lartey, pastor of Goler Memorial AME Zion Church. "Unlike us here, where we decide what we want to eat, over there it's not even a matter of choice; it's a matter of whether in fact anything exists." Lartey says he could no longer stand idle. He knew he had to do something. "The Bible says 'Do unto others as you would have them do unto you,'" he declared.

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Photos by Todd Luck

Students, parents and community volunteers make their way to Kimberley Park.

Benefits of health, community touted with walk

BY TODD LUCK THE CHRONICLE

Kimberley Park Elementary School students and parents took to the streets Tuesday morning to tout the benefits of walking and unity. The school community observed Walk to School Day by gathering together at two locations near the school and then jointly making the trek to Kimberley Park. The effort

was part of the Safe Routes to School, a national program to encourage elementary-and-middle-schoolers to walk or ride bikes to school as a way to ward off childhood obesity and save the planet by reducing the air pollution created by buses and other vehicles. Although the majority of the Kimberley students live close to the school, many catch the bus, partly because there have been issues with

crime in the area. But as redevelopment projects and police presence flourishes, the winds of change can already be felt. "The neighborhood is changing, and we're hoping that parents will see that, in groups, they can walk and it's okay," said Assistant Principal Shelia Washington. The walk Tuesday, which was along pedestrian-friendly sidewalks,

was a piece of cake for Tammicia Carter, who walked side-by-side with her daughter, Timia. After leaving her daughter at the school, Carter kept walking toward downtown to work. "I walk to work all the time," she said. But Carter doesn't like the idea of Timia walking alone. She is usually

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A CHANCE TO LISTEN & BE HEARD

Free dinner, childcare offered at public meeting on the future of Business 40

BY T. KEVIN WALKER THE CHRONICLE

A black-owned firm that has been hired to conduct a sweeping survey about the future of Business 40 is so determined that African-Americans attend a public forum next week that it has eliminated most of the guess work.



File Photo

Drivers make their way along Business 40.

Winston-Salem State University's Anderson Center will be the site Tuesday for the first of three community-wide meetings to hear residents' input about the N.C. Department of Transportation's plans to revamp a major section of the aging highway. To make the

event, slated to begin at 5 p.m. and end at 8 p.m., as convenient and carefree as possible for residents, free childcare

will be provided, as will Spanish translators and attendees won't have to worry about what to do for dinner - that will be taken care of too. "We are having shrimp creole, beef stroganoff This will be a real meal," said Jumetta G. Posey, the CEO of Neighborhood Solutions. The Denver, Colo.-based company has been charged with gathering public input about the Business 40 project. Since October, the company has hired nearly 100 local people, most of them minorities, to scour much of the city to gauge residents' opinions. In the years to come, NCDOT

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NO PLACE LIKE HOME



Photo by Todd Luck

Trina Johnson's home is one of five that is being constructed by local professionals as part of Habitat for Humanity's Builders Blitz. All the home will be completed in a week. Read more on C7.



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