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Disabled housing in the works



Photo by Layla Farmer

Twana Wellman (clockwise from left) with Tim West, Diane Evans, Andrea Kurtz and Jane Milner at the site of the proposed Hunters Hill complex.

Several agencies working to make Hunters Hill Apartments a reality by 2010

BY LAYLA FARMER THE CHRONICLE

Less than a year ago, five agencies partnered in an unprecedented collaboration with a goal of providing adequate housing for low income and disabled local residents.

CenterPoint Human Services, Experiment in Self Reliance (ESR), the Commission for the Ten Year Plan to End Homelessness, the North Carolina Housing Foundation and Partners for Homeownership joined forces last fall to create the Hunters Hill project. The 12-unit complex is designed to provide permanent, supportive housing to mentally and/or physically disabled city residents whose income is at or below 30 percent of the local median income, which amounts to just over \$12,000 a year for an individual.

Each partner agency brings a unique per-

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Photo by Todd Luck

Roy Cooper speaks at the city's Police Department.

Meth gets mighty enemy

New initiative asks cops, others to spread word about drug's dangers

BY TODD LUCK THE CHRONICLE

Meth is already the number one crime problem in many communities across the country and a new initiative is looking to make sure it doesn't become one here.

The Partnership for a Drug-Free NC announced the launch of Meth360 Tuesday at the Winston-Salem Police Department. The program aims to educate the community on the dangers of meth, a powerful synthetic drug. The program will utilize law enforcement and substance abuse professionals to give comprehensive educational sessions to the community.

State Attorney General Roy Cooper was on hand for the announcement. He talked about the dangers of meth, which is highly addictive and can be lethal. The labs used to create meth can be created in kitchens, garages and even inside of cars. Meth labs themselves have become a separate danger, often

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The time for action is now, says the next NAACP CEO

BY T. KEVIN WALKER THE CHRONICLE

LOUISVILLE, Ky. - Historically, journalists have always had a cozy relationship with the NAACP. Former executive director Roy Wilkins began his professional career as a newsman; Ida B. Wells used her column to deliver stinging indictments of racial violence; and for years W.E.B. Du Bois served as the editor of the NAACP magazine, *The Crisis*.



NNPA Photo

Benjamin Jealous speaks to NNPA members late last month.

Benjamin Jealous is hoping to revivie the civil rights organization's one-time love affair with journalists. More than a decade ago, Jealous was exposing corruption and inflaming tempers as the editor of Mississippi's oldest black newspaper, *The Jackson Advocate*. Less than three months ago, the 35-year-old was selected to be the next

president and CEO of the National NAACP.

"The NAACP is a house, a big house," Jealous said. "It is built from at least four pillars: the black church, the black press, black businesses and black membership."

He gave those remarks June 27 at the Hyatt Regency in downtown Louisville, Ky., during a convention of the National Newspaper Publishers Association, an organization of more than 200 black-owned community newspapers that Jealous headed in the late 1990s. He thanked the NNPA for giving him the opportunity to serve as the organization's executive director when he was barely out of college.

"You guys put faith in me," said Jealous, an Ivy League educated Rhodes Scholar who will formally become the 17th NAACP leader in September.

Jealous is not waiting until his title becomes official before starting construction on the critical bridges he'll need if he hopes to breath new life into the NAACP, which will mark its

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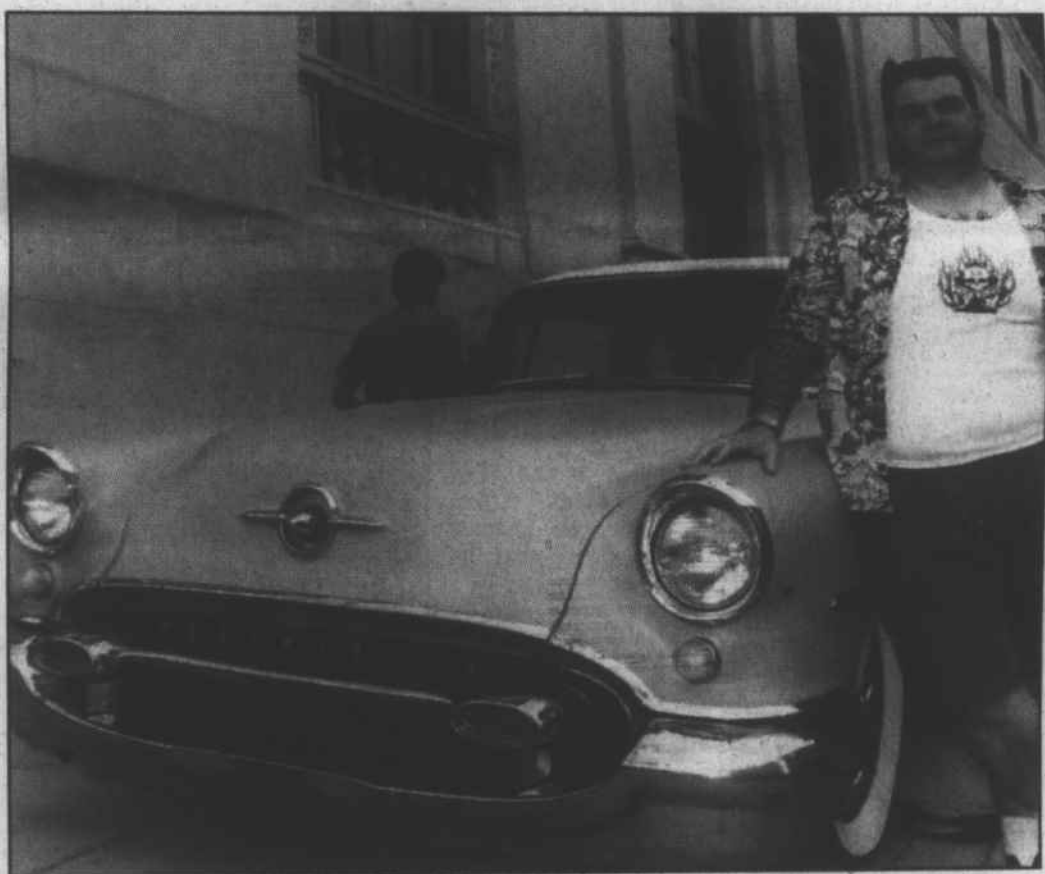


Photo by Todd Luck

Rick White of Raleigh stands next to his purple 1955 Oldsmobile Super 88, which he custom built himself. His Olds was one of the many classic rides cruising through downtown Saturday for a car show held as part of Heavy Rebel Weekender, a three-day event filled with rock music and hot cars.

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Teacher finds beauty, kindness in the Land of the Rising Sun

BY LAYLA FARMER THE CHRONICLE

Tiffany Holland held the letter in her hand, frozen. It took her a moment, she says, to comprehend what she had read. She had been selected from a pool of nearly 2,000 teachers nationwide to make an unforgettable trek to Japan.

"I didn't think I was going to get it ... I called my mom and screamed in her ear," related Holland, a seventh grade social studies and language arts teacher at Wiley Middle. "It was a great honor."

The Japan Fulbright Memorial Fund (JFMF) Teacher Program selected an elite group of 160 educators to participate in the three-week program, which is sponsored by the Japanese Government and designed to foster greater cultural understanding between the United States and Japan.

An African-American, Holland admits she was a little apprehensive about descending into a culture that is sometimes described as xenophobic, but says she was met with nothing but pure hospitality.



Submitted Photo

Tiffany Holland learns from a master calligrapher in Japan.



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