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### Cannon Pledges Youthful Influence

s From Charlotte And The Rest Of The World.

Caucus Honors Eight Women

The Charlotte Women's Political Caucus will honor eight women at a fundraiser



orees include Mecklenburg Commiss-Chirico, Ann Schrader and Patsy Kinsey; City

Scarborough

Oct. 21. The honioners Edna

Council members Ann Hammond, Cyndee Patterson, Lynn Wheeler and Ella Scarborough and Huntersville Mayor Bobbie Ross. The event will be held at the Charlotte-

home of Mecklenburg School Board member Susan Burgess at 2710 Lemon Tree Ln. from 5 p.m.-8 p.m. Tickets are \$25 and can be purchased in advance by calling Carol Hughes at 541-3161

### 100 Black Men

Partnership Cochrane Middle School



Springs

Charlotte are moving to a new phase in their relationship. The Move-

Black Men

of Greater

Youth program is

moving into Phase II with a series of workshops through June for a group of at-risk students at Cochrane. The workshops focus on community service, entrepreneurship, health and fitness.

"This is another excellent opportunity for the 100 Black Men of Greater Charlotte to continue their service with African American youth while working toward the goal of making a college education a reality for their participants," said Lenny Springs, founder of the

### Talking Business At This Seminar

An arm of the U.S. Department of Commerce is hosting a minority business seminar in Fayetteville next

The Minority Business Development Agency (MBDA) will sponsor an introductory franchise seminar Sept. 28 from 6 p.m.-9 p.m. at the Charles Rose Expo Center at West Mountain Drive. The session is free and open to the public. MBDA is sponsoring seminars across the Southeast to encourage more minority franchise development and participation in the U.S. as part of the National Minority Franchise

Initiative. For more information on the seminar, call Susan Jones-Monroe of the Fayetteville Minority Business Development Council at (919) 483-7513.

By Vera Witherspoon THE CHARLOTTE POST

Patrick Cannon has big plans as a member of Charlotte City Council.

Cannon won a three-way race with Roosevelt Gardner and Ezzard Charles Parker for the Democratic nomina-



trict 3. Can-26, non. won't face Republican opposition

won with 691 votes, or 60 per-

for the seat.

Cannon

cent of those cast. He is the youngest person elected to council in city history.

Tuesday's loss is the eighth unsuccessful attempt at public office for Gardner. He received 453, or 39 percent of the votes.

Parker withdrew from the race, but received 18, or 2 percent of the votes. Primary elections, typified by low turnout, lived up to form, with only 6.6 percent of registered voters going to the polls. In District 3, turnout was 5.4 percent.

"I feel a sigh of relief in defying what odds existed out there," Cannon said. "From

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### The Results



day's Demprimary for City Council

District 3.

Patrick Cannon 691 (59%) Roosevelt Gardner 453 (39%) Ezzard Charles Parker 18 (2%)

As drug abuse rises regionally, a one-of-a-kind program in S.C. is helping addicted mothers and...

## Youngest

By Cassandra Wynn THE CHARLOTTE POST

It started with a few drinks that led to a few hits. Then the next thing Jenny Brown (not her real name)

knew, she had gone on a four-day drug binge. It wasn't just guilt that frightened her. There was a

complication.
She was 7 1/2 months pregnant with twins.

'I felt ashamed because I had used while I was pregnant. I was scared I had hurt them real bad. I had used a large amount of drugs for four days straight," Brown said. "On the coming down period, I was thinking, oh my God, are they going to be alive or did I give them

brain damage.' Brown's panic led to one See BABY On Page 2A

smart move. Her doctor referred her to the Baby Steps program at the Lancaster Recovery Center at Springs Memorial Hospital in Lan-

In operation for a year, Baby Steps is the only program in the Carolinas, Virginia or Georgia that accepts women in recovery beyond the first trimester. Many of the center's clients come from Charlotte.

"Other centers don't have the medical expertise for prenatal care," said Russ Knight, executive director of the Lancaster Recovery Center. The center has a Level II nursery, which can handle moderately high risk babies. A Level III nursery handles babies at the highest risk.



Mothers can help get themselves and their newborn babies through drug addiction in the Baby Steps program at Springs Memorial Hospital in Lancaster, S.C.

### Citing Unequal Justice, Watt Votes No On Bill

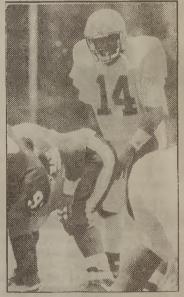
FROM NEWS SERVICES

N.C. Rep. Mel Watt voted against a hate crimes bill in the U.S. House, saying the proposed legislation wouldn't be equal-

Watt, who represents the predominantly-black 12th District, broke ranks with House Democrats Tuesday in voting against the bill. The bill, approved by voice vote, is designed to protect racial, ethnic and religious minorities. Watt said the statute would be more likely to harm the people it's designed

"While this law is intended to be color blind, based on my experience, I'm sure that its implementation will not be," he said. "We'll be back here in three to five years, lamenting that we need to revise this bill because we will have found that it is being used more often than not against the very people it was intended to benefit."

Watt, an attorney, said N.C.'s hate crimes law offers proof



J.C. Smith and N.C. Central will play in the New Queen City Classic Saturday.

### Organizers Hope Game Will **Grow Into A Classic Tradition**

By Herbert L. White THE CHARLOTTE POST

Charlotte's growing sports reputation is ready to take the next step with a black college football event.

The New Queen City Classic Saturday between Johnson C. Smith and N.C. Central universities will be the first event of its kind in Charlotte. The game, to be played at 7:30 p.m. Saturday at Memorial Stadium, is expected to attract about 15,000 spectators, organizers say. Most of the tickets were sold in advance, with corporate sales encouraged by the Charlotte

Chamber of Commerce

"We just had the idea that Charlotte was ready for this kind of event," said Charles Manning, one of the classic's promoters. "Within a 100-mile radius, we feel we ought to be able to bring a lot of people into the uptown area."

Classics, developed primarily among black college football programs during the late 1970s, traditionally bring participants together along social, economic and athletic lines to create a cross between homecoming and an exposition. There are 33

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### Family Of Klan Victim Holds No Ill Will, But May Sue Government

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MONTGOMERY, Ala. - The family of a black man slain by the Ku Klux Klan in 1957 said they hold no anger toward the widow of a man who confessed to the killing, but they are considering suing the federal govern-

The slain man's daughters - Melinda O'Neil of Columbus, Ohio, and Mildred Betts of Buffalo, N.Y. - met recently at a restaurant with Diane Alexander. The Montgomery woman said her commonlaw husband, Henry Alexander, confessed last December to killing Willie Edwards Jr. Soon after his confession,

Alexander died of cancer. O'Neil said meeting Mrs. Alexander helped her and her sister to deal with their bitterness over growing up without their father.

"It was nice because we got

to see that Diane was a warm, sincere, trusting person," O'Neil said. "She got to see us and know we didn't hold any animosity toward her and that we were very appreciative she came for-

The women also met with Morris Dees, director of the Southern Poverty Law Center, about a possible lawsuit against the federal government stemming from Alexander's confession.

Alexander told his wife he was an FBI informant during the civil rights era.

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