

# Jackson may face opposition from New York Jews

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The Rev. Jesse Jackson may receive the most negative response to his presidential campaign so far in next Tuesday's N.Y. Democratic primary, where 275 delegates are at stake, due to opposition from New York's influential Jewish population.

Opposition to Jackson's campaign stems from Jackson's words and actions, Jewish leaders say. During his 1984 presidential campaign, Jackson used such terms as "hymie" and "hymietown" when referring to the Jewish population. His association with Islamic leader Louis Farrakhan, who called Judaism a "gutter religion," and Palestine Liberation Organization leader Yassir Arafat, whom he was photographed embracing, have also raised questions from Jews.

"The Jackson issue is causing great divisions among Jews," said Dan Coleman, who helped the Jewish Progressive Network organize a forum to discuss Jackson's candidacy.

"The situation has definitely gotten better since 1984, because Jackson has bent over backward to address Jewish concerns," he said. "Many progressive Jews are trying to look at the whole candidate and not concentrate on Jackson's Middle East policies, which would include a Palestinian homeland, but many Jews still have their doubts."

Popular New York City Mayor Ed Koch also voiced reservations regarding the civil rights leader recently.

"The mayor feels that Jackson as president would leave the United States broke and defenseless in three weeks," said Lee Jones, assistant press secretary for Koch.

"The mayor feels Jesse Jackson has some good ideas, but Jackson's funding proposals include drastic cutbacks on necessary defense and increased deficit spending," Jones said.

Koch told New York Jews they "would be crazy to vote for Jesse Jackson," Jones said.

In addition, Jewish opponents have reportedly been planning street rallies against Jackson in the days



Jesse Jackson

before the primary.

Jackson's previous actions and comments will be hard to ignore, said associate chairman of political science Joel Schwartz. "Many Jewish voters are likely to be suspicious of anti-semitism in Jackson despite his more mainstream views," he said.

The Jewish electorate in New York, with over two million voters, is extremely important, Schwartz said. "Jewish voters tend to be active and typically have high turnout rates, which can prove to be very important in a primary where turnout is usually low," he said.

Jackson will have an especially difficult race if Mass. Gov. Michael Dukakis receives added support from the Jewish vote. "If the Jewish vote is split between Gore and Dukakis, Jackson might not suffer a great loss, but if Dukakis receives a large portion of the Jewish vote, it could give him a lead over Jackson," Schwartz said.

Jackson is attempting to carry on his campaign in New York as he has in other states by trying to win the progressive, mainstream vote, said a Jackson spokesperson.

Jackson is confident about his chances in New York due to his urban support from a large number of blacks and other minorities, he said.

# Campus Y sponsors UNICEF Week

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Students can make donations to help ease the famine in Ethiopia during UNICEF Week, sponsored April 11-15 by the Campus Y.

UNICEF Week committee members will collect donations in residence halls Tuesday, Wednesday and Thursday, said Barbara Cowan, one of the event's organizers. Members will also spell out UNICEF with double-sided tape in the Pit on Thursday, and students

can place donations on the letters, Cowan said.

The Four Corners, an a cappella singing group, will also perform at noon on Thursday.

Organizers said they hoped to raise at least \$200 during the week.

UNICEF, the United Nations International Children's Fund, works to educate mothers about raising healthy children and collects money to help with immunization and water purification in more than

160 developing nations, Parker said.

The money raised during the week will be donated to UNICEF to help ease the famine in Ethiopia, Cowan said.

"This year's famine is worse than the one in 1984 that was so highly publicized," Cowan said.

"One quarter of a million children die from malnutrition and disease per year," Parker said.

Since the beginning of the 1980s, immunizations provided by UNICEF have helped save the lives of

more than 1.4 million children, Parker said.

A 10-cent donation can buy one vial of penicillin, and a dollar can buy enough vaccine to immunize 20 children from tuberculosis, Parker said. A dollar can also feed four children for a day, she said.

UNICEF has helped 20 percent of the world's families and has helped save 600,000 families, according to event organizer Alec Guettel.

# Children's musician to play on campus

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Most people are familiar with Bruce Springsteen for rock music, Bach for classical music, and Count Basie for jazz, but Raffi for children's music may not be so well-known.

The Canadian-born singer Raffi, sponsored by WUNC, will perform Tuesday at 7 p.m. in Memorial Hall. Reserved seats are available for \$8 at the Carolina Union Box Office.

Raffi has been called the "Bruce Springsteen of the young set" by Newsweek. After having recorded eight albums for children, his record sales total more than 2 million.

Raffi introduces children to many music styles such as folk, jazz, ragtime and reggae. His latest albums also include the themes of self-esteem, love in the family and appreciation of the natural world.

As the pioneer in producing quality music for young children, Raffi has received the Order of Canada (Canada's highest non-military award). He was nominated for a Grammy and has won numerous educational awards as well as the applause of teachers, parents and children.

By the time Raffi completes his tour of North America in May, he will have played over 200 American shows since signing with A&M in the summer of 1984.

Raffi began his musical career as a folk singer on the coffee and festival circuit in the early 70s. With the help of his wife Debbie Pike and a small loan from a bank, Raffi recorded *Singable Songs for The Very Young*. That album went triple platinum in Canada and has remained his best selling album for 11 years.

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