MRS. MINERVA FIELDS RECEIVES HER LIFE MEMBERSHIP AS HER HUSBAND, A LIFE MEMBER, LOOKS ON WITH PRIDE

NAACP Holds Candidates Forum

By Ray Trent
The Durham Branch NAACP, at its monthly meeting Sunday, September 26 at Community Baptist Church in Durham, invited candidates for the coming municipal elections to speak to the public and give their platforms.

As James Black, Branch president, explained, the NAACP does not endorse any candidate, but all members are registered voters and are urged to vote their conscience.

conscience.

The moderator for the forum was immediate past president, Mrs. Horine Roberson.
Following are some of the candidates' comments:

-Harry Rodenhizer, Mayor
I don't expect to do anything different if re-elected...carry on the

programs I started.

• Sylvia Kerckhoff, Mayor
I put first tenant on Housing
Board and have supported housing
in my ten years.

• Howard Clement, III, 3rd Ward
(unopposed)
My ten year goals have been jobs,
justice, no peace. I urge Council to
take action against AT&T.
Paul Miller, At-Large
Most important is the problem of
youth. Crime enforcement is not
enough.

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youth Crime enforcement chough.
Diane Wright, At-Large
I fought for land use and horsing.
I fought against the ballpark an. "I have fought for minority, contractors in projects in the city.
I saac Robinson, At-Large
I feel I've served the community

well in general. My work speaks for me.

- Chuck Grubb, 1st Ward

I have helped the Hayti Development and Edgemont Community.

- Frank Hyman, 1st Ward

I have worked with the West End Community and tried to be a voice for community.

- Tyrone Cox, 5th Ward

We demand our rightful place at

• Tyrone Cox, 5th Ward We demand our rightful place at the table. We must improve people's lives. I fight for jobs, youth development and an aggressive approach to crime. Last election, we were denied our place at the table. They tried to silence Annette Montgomery, 5th Ward

at the lable. They tried to silence us.

Annette Montgomery, 5th Ward

I support the trails and greenways. I work to redefine downtown Durham

Eric I wasen, 5th Ward

Deteriorating housing, low income and the city is a shome. We must rebuild our city. I support interests and the order of the city is a shome. We must rebuild our city. I support interests with Italy and provention are my first priority.

**Provide Krisick, fr. At Large

In sind from the Durham Police Department. Crime control and provention are my first priority.

**Ployd McKissick, fr. At Large

My family has been active many years and I want to continue the legacy my father created. I want African Americans to get the standarder of the many continued the labrage collection problems.

Also at this meeting, it was no ed that the national NAACP has dropped AT&T as its long distance arriver after a cartoon depicting Africans as monkeys. Further action included a letter written to Duke University requesting that institution to drop AT&T.

Councilman Howard Clement III encouraged the City of Durham to drop the carrier.

Mrs. Minerva Fields received her life membership plaque. John Mason and Mrs. Alice Luster, though not present, were honored as life members.

Mrs. Florine Roberson received her Million Dully med if for

Cong. Eva Clayton Takes Leadership Role in CBC Legislative Weekend

WASHINGTON, D.C. — In her first term as a participant in the Congressional Black Caucus Annual Legislative Weekend, Congresswoman Eva M. Clayton (D.NC) took the leadership in several key events. On Thirsday, September 16, Clayton co-convened the braintrust, titled "Health Care Reform: What it means to African Americans" at which First Lady Hillary Rodham Clinton delivered the keynote address. This standing-room-only which First Lady Hillary Rodham Clinton delivored the keynote address. This standing-room-only event held in the Rayburn Building featured testimony from health experts all over the country. Congressmen Louis Stokes (D-OH), John Conyers (D-MI), and

enlisting members.

The October meeting will be held on October 24 at New Jerusalem Baptist Cathedral at 4 p.m. The church is located on Old Oxford Highway and Danube Lane.

Bobby Scott (D-VA) shared the dais with Clayton.

On Friday, Clayton convened an agriculture braintrust titled "Rural Economic Development," during which several North Carolinians presented testimony. This session covered topics such as community-based economic development initiatives survival strategies for covered topics such as community-based economic development initiatives, survival strategies for black farmers and#foderal and state partnership strategies. Other members of the Agriculture Committee in attendance at the braintrust were Congresswoman

Cynthia McKinney (D-GA) and Congressman Jim Clyburn (D-SC). Clayton also co-convened a conference called, "Environmental Racism: Myth or Reality," which dealt with the dumping of toxic materials in poor, minority communities,

materials in poor, minority communities, The main event for the CBC Annual Legislative Weekend is the Saturday night dinnal. This year Clayton was tapped to deliver the main address.

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