

Why Not?

A guest editorial and a guest columnist ponder why the NAACP has given the concept of a black presidential candidate the cold shoulder.

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"Jaws 3-D" bursts onto the screen with more fish-eats-man drama, this time with the added gimmick mentioned in the title. John Slade reviews the latest menu.

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High Octane Or High Anxiety?

"Car Trek" columnist John Slade discusses the latest in gas pumps, and how what used to be a simple matter of pulling a lever and pumping has become an exercise in frustration -- and embarrassment.

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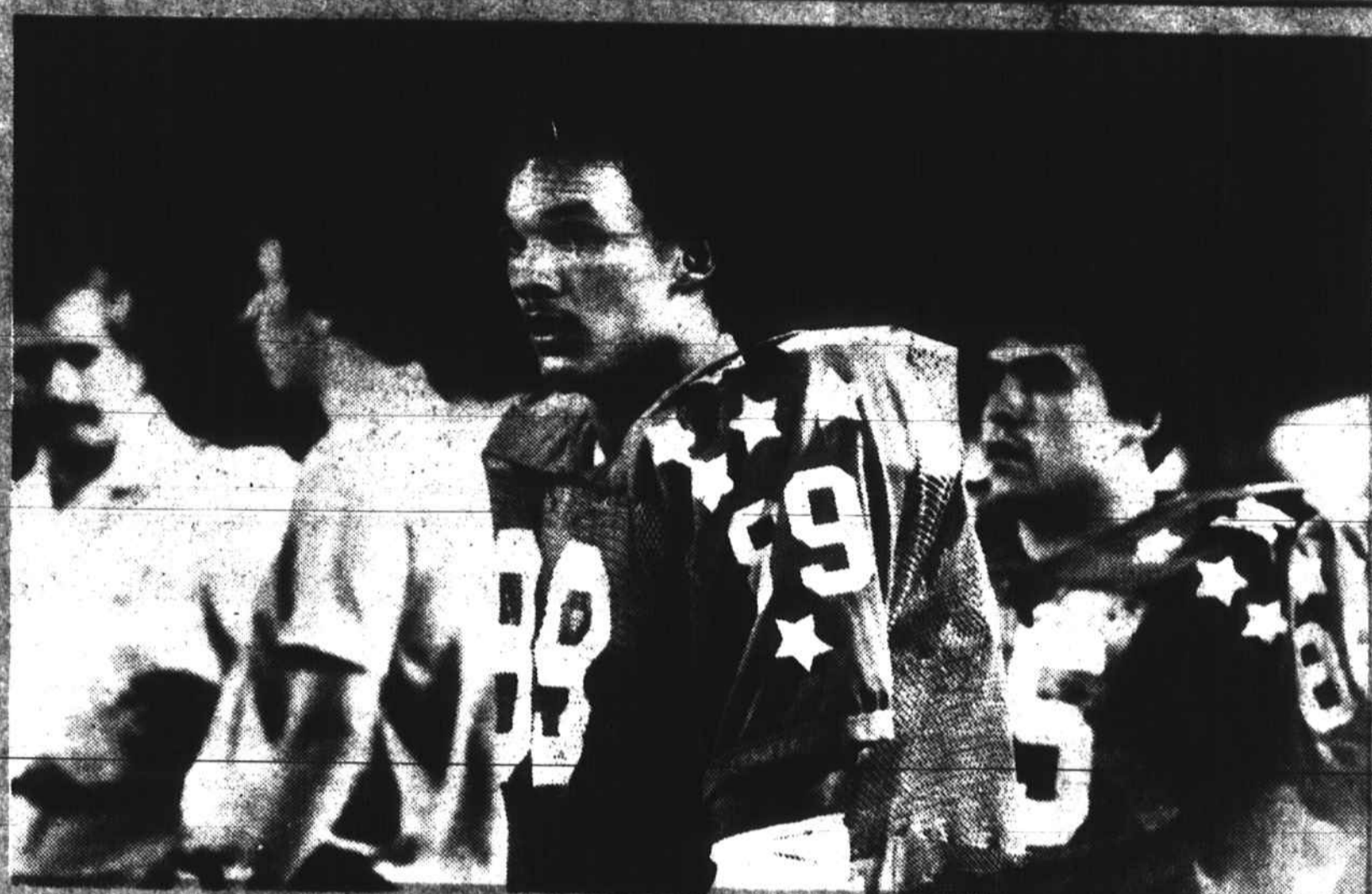
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Wake Forest Bound

James Brim's crowd-pleasing performance during last week's East-West All-Star Game in Greensboro is something local fans will be seeing a lot of during the next four years. The story appears on Page B-2 (photo by James Parker).

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For classes during the early 70s at Winston's Aikins and Carver and Greensboro's Dudley high schools, reunions rekindle mixed feelings about the pain and gains of desegregation.

"Car Trek's" John Slade tries his hand at something new, "during, watching and after" the game.

Staff Writer Edward Hill Jr. in the fifth installment of "Our Children, Our Schools," examines the effect of desegregation on sports.

Coming Soon

"Sportsweek," a new look and a new direction for the Chronicle's sports pages.

Our High School Sports Preview (Aug. 18) and the first of eight 1983-84 editions of our Black College Sports Review (Sept. 8).

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Integration In Concept, Segregation In Reality?

By ROBIN ADAMS
Staff Writer

This article is the fifth in an eight-part series.

Twelve years ago, the courts ordered that the city-county schools be integrated.

Less than a month later, school officials had devised a plan to satisfy that mandate. But, while the strategy looked good on paper, many of the classrooms remained as segregated as the days before the court order.

The same situation still exists today, say teachers, administrators and parents.

"You can desegregate the school system and assign the students here on a 70 to 30 (black-to-white) basis and never integrate the classes," says an elementary school principal.

"The fact that both black and white come to the same school doesn't mean it's integrated."

Walter Marshall, vice president of the NAACP, agrees. "We have the most stratified system in America," he says. "We have schools for everything."

"The Career Center has vocational programs, the Gifted and Talented program is for the elite, Optional

Education is for those who they say can't make it in the regular schools and South Park (a school for the mentally handicapped) is a put-down on the poor student and is something that shouldn't exist."

Each program is designed to meet the needs of a par-



Our Children, Our Schools

ticular group of students. But where the number of blacks is scarce in one, it overflows in another.

Of the 2,100 students in Gifted and Talented program last year, only 163 of them were black (86 in grades 3-6 and 77 in grades 7-12.) At South Park, 274 (76.1 percent) of 360 students are black.

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Rescue Squad Fights For Life

By RUTHELL HOWARD
Staff Writer

Winston-Salem's only predominantly black volunteer rescue squad needs help from the community it serves to continue the level of service it now provides.

Having to rely on donations from the community and area businesses and any funds individual members can contribute to keep it going, the Southeast Winston Rescue Squad is sponsoring a "Revival In Song" this Saturday evening at Carver High School as a fund-raiser. The squad is also conducting a raffle and a door-to-door solicitation campaign to keep the unit afloat.

Robert Staplefoote, squad captain, says the group hopes to get some type of funding from the United Way of Forsyth County. But even if it gets the funding, it wouldn't start until 1985.

Meanwhile, the squad is holding on. "We don't charge for our services, so we don't generate anything," Staplefoote says. Between now and 1985, Staplefoote says, the unit will have to raise funds

the same way it has in the past: soliciting community support.

"The reason we're running all these (fund-raising) projects is to keep ourselves funded until we have some definite funding," Staplefoote says. "As it stands now, the community built the rescue squad, and the community's going to have to support it."

A rescue squad was established in the black community in 1962 when several men who belonged to a citizens band (CB) radio club decided to organize the Air King Rescue Squad. That squad, which was started in October of that year and chartered Jan. 20, 1970, was housed in old Fire Station No. 4 on Dunleith Avenue.

It eventually moved to another location on Walker-town Road, but had to shut down because it did not meet state requirements that members be certified as emergency medical technicians. Then, in 1981, Staplefoote and several other citizens reorganized the squad as the Southeast Winston Rescue Squad, purchased an ambulance with a grant from the Z. Smith Reynolds Foundation.

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NAACP Event Raises \$5,000

By RICHARD L. WILLIAMS
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Though the Winston-Salem branch of the NAACP failed to reach its goal of \$75,000 from its "Star-A-Thon" last Saturday, it got a message across to the black community, said the organizers of the event.

"Even though we didn't reach our goals in monetary terms, we are very happy that the Star-A-Thon was still a success," said Earline Parmon, chairman of the fund-raiser, which netted the organization approximately \$5,000. "Because of our intense efforts, people are going to be more aware of the NAACP."

The Star-A-Thon, which combined speeches and entertainment in the parking lot of Mechanics And Farmers

Bank, a telethon broadcast live on radio station WAAA and a door-to-door solicitation effort, was the first in the area. Its organizers say they will try to make it an annual event.

Alderman Larry Womble, who served as emcee of the program, said the NAACP knew that the goal was "very ambitious" and that it was intentionally set so high.

"We set it high purposely so that we could work hard to reach for it," said Womble.

However, Womble said he was satisfied with the organization's efforts and the positive manner in which it was received by the community.

"Five thousand dollars is very good for about six hours' worth of time," he said. "I was very appreciative"

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Human Relations Dept. Questioned

By RUTHELL HOWARD
Staff Writer

The Winston-Salem Human Relations Department has been questioned by community members who feel it should be doing more and city officials who aren't sure exactly how much the department already is accomplishing.

Herman Aldridge, director of the department, says human relations is "controversial" business anyway.

"Just by the nature of human relations, you're dealing with problems," Aldridge says. "If you don't do anything, you get jumped on. If you do something, somebody's not going to like it and jump on you."

Lately, the department was "jumped on" by some members of the Winston-Salem Board of Aldermen, who

questioned, during a special budget meeting of the board's General Committee, the use of its \$102,100 yearly budget.

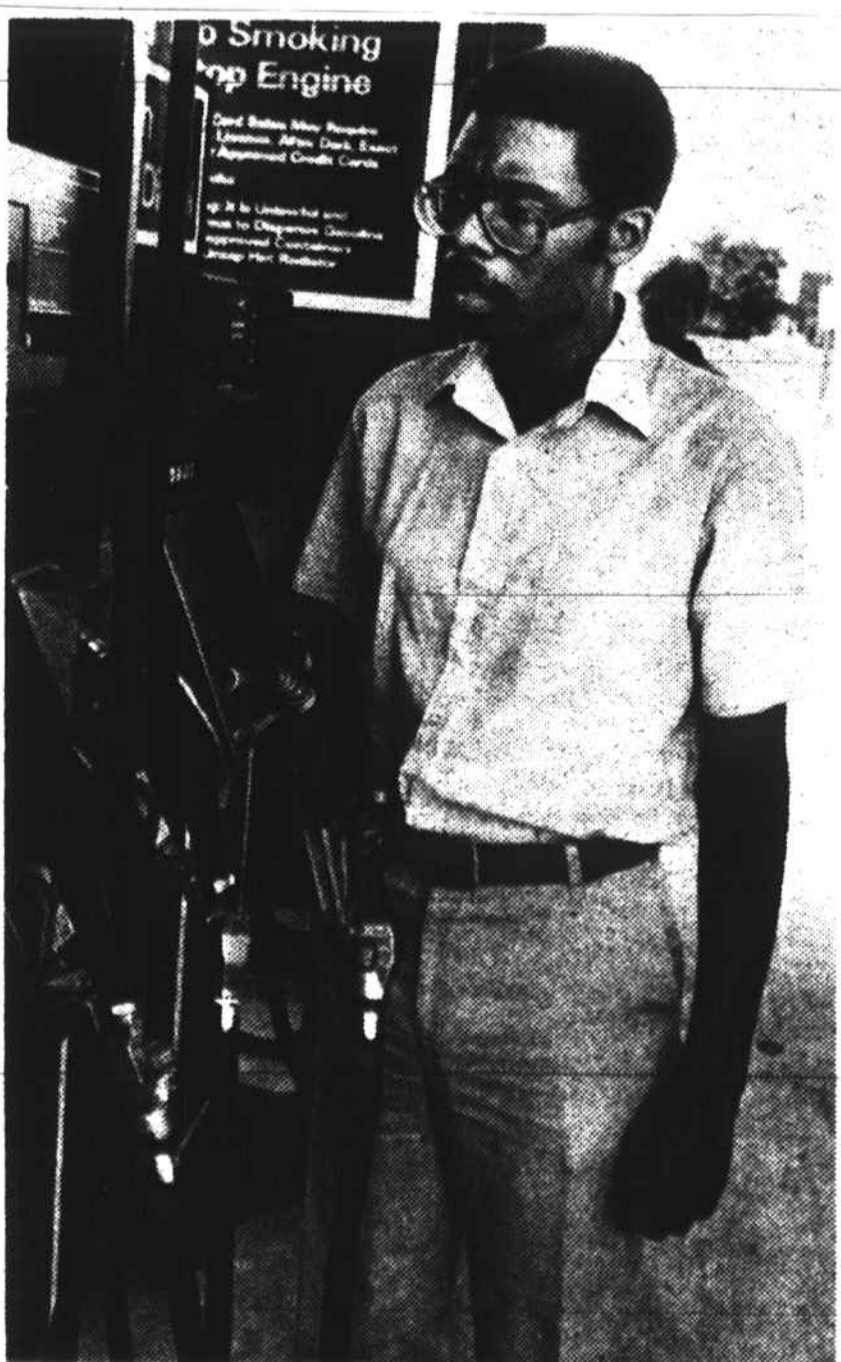
"In looking at their goals and objectives, it looked to me that they weren't trying to do much," says Alderman Robert S. Northington Jr., who says the department's primary objective seems to have remained the same during its four years of existence.

Northington also says he asked for the total number of people who attended workshops sponsored by the department last year and counted approximately 100.

"I just feel like they are spending a lot," Northington says. "I think they ought to be making an effort to do more things."

Alderman Larry Little, however, says he is pleased

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What To Do?

ARDAC, a computerized gas system, has John Slade wondering about the new technology (photo by James Parker).

Car Trek

An Encounter With ARDAC

By JOHN SLADE
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Maybe it's just me, but I don't think modern technology is all it's cracked up to be, especially computers.

Everything is becoming computerized nowadays, which, for me, has proven to be more embarrassing than beneficial. Take as an example -- and a thoroughly humiliating one -- my first trip to a computerized gas station.

All gas stations are alike, I used to say, except that some have unleaded premium and others don't. But things aren't so simple since ARDAC came along.

ARDAC is a computerized gas pumping system. And, just as long distance is supposed to be the next best thing to being there, ARDAC is supposed to be the next best thing to having the service station guy pump the gas for you. Maybe so -- after you've gone through the initiation process.

When I first saw ARDAC, I was amazed. "Wow," I thought, "the wonders of modern technology." Then I tried to get some gas.

Before I could take the nozzle from the pump, an attendant was upon me, asking if I needed any help.

I just stared at him, my eyes conveying the message, "I'm at the self-service lane, Sherlock. Why would you even offer to assist?" But I responded with a simple "No."

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