

**Young And Gifted**

Karen Campbell has more on her mind than her idol, Michael Jackson. She wants to become a lawyer

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**Singing Preacher**

The Rev. John Heath's baritone voice has netted him the title the "James Cleveland of Winston-Salem."

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**I Knew You Could Do It**

"You see, Miss Cox, nothing to it," Maya Angelou told WSSU senior class President Esther Cox, right, after Cox introduced the noted author, entertainer and educator. Angelou addressed the school's graduates last Sunday at the school's 92nd commencement exercises. A story appears below (photo by James Parker).

*Especially among black voters*

## Knox camp hoping endorsement by Gilmore will provide edge

By ROBIN ADAMS  
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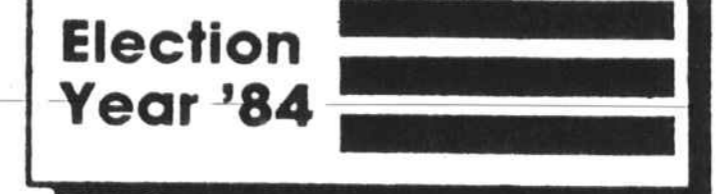
As the tussle for black votes in the governor's race continues, Tom Gilmore's recent endorsement of former Charlotte Mayor Eddie Knox for the Democratic nomination may tip the scales for Knox over Attorney General Rufus Edmisten, say Knox supporters.

Gilmore's support "will help substantially," says John Blunk, area coordinator for the Knox campaign.

Knox and Attorney General Rufus Edmisten, the top votegetter statewide in the May 8 Democratic primary (with 295,051 votes as

compared to Knox's 249,286), will face one another in a runoff election June 5.

Knox's strong showing in the local black



community, combined with Gilmore's endorsement by a number of black groups and publications and his strong showing in the primary,

may provide the edge its candidate needs, says the Knox camp.

According to local election results, of the 23 precincts represented by black aldermen, Knox won 11, tied with Gilmore for first in one and placed second in nine others.

Edmisten, the top votegetter in the county, placed first in seven of the predominantly black precincts and second in seven others.

Gilmore, who placed fourth in the state with 82,299 votes in the Democratic primary, was the leader in four of the precincts and tied with Knox at Memorial Coliseum.

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## For young and restless, the options are few

By AUDREY L. WILLIAMS  
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What positive alternatives exist for local youth who wile away the summer hours by gathering in public facilities, movie theaters, malls and parking lots?

Nick Jamison, director of the city's Recreation Department, says one possibility -- the idea of converting old buildings into teen and young adult night clubs -- is a good one, but in order to convert an old building, you've got to have an old building.

"We have looked into the possibility," Jamison says, "but we just don't have a building. The Depot (a night club for youth that doesn't allow drugs or alcoholic beverages) in Greensboro is charging (admission) rates, it's privately funded and it's not run by the city.

But other options are on the way, Jamison says.

"There will be a couple of teen night spots opening up," he says, "and I think it may relieve some of the pressure."

Jamison also says that dances have been held recently at local neighborhood recreation

centers, but due to complaints about noise and traffic from residents, they are held to a minimum. He adds that several schools in the city system have also made concerted efforts to ease the city's increasing problem of restless youth by sponsoring dances of their own.

During the summer months, 30 to 35 swimming pools are opened to the public by the city, along with a host of athletic leagues for baseball and basketball enthusiasts.

Victor Johnson, assistant principal at North Forsyth Senior High School, says the problem

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## WSSU's new business building christened during ceremony

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Winston-Salem State University dedicated its new business building last Friday and officially designated it the R.J. Reynolds Center.

The \$3.1 million building was named after North Carolina's largest company in appreciation for its gift of \$1 million to the university's Enhancement Campaign in 1981.

The R.J. Reynolds Center was financed by a \$2.1 million appropriation from the state, \$800,000 of the RJR gift and gifts from The Hanes Group, The Kresge Foundation and Owens-Illinois Co.

G. Dee Smith, executive vice president and special assistant to the president of R.J. Reynolds Tobacco Co., cut the ribbon to the 50,000-square-foot facility.

"Within these classrooms, students will learn the principles and skills they need to enter the mainstream of the business world," Smith said.

"It is here they will learn to open their minds to ideas, to evaluate and make decisions, to create new products and services to improve the quality of life for all mankind."

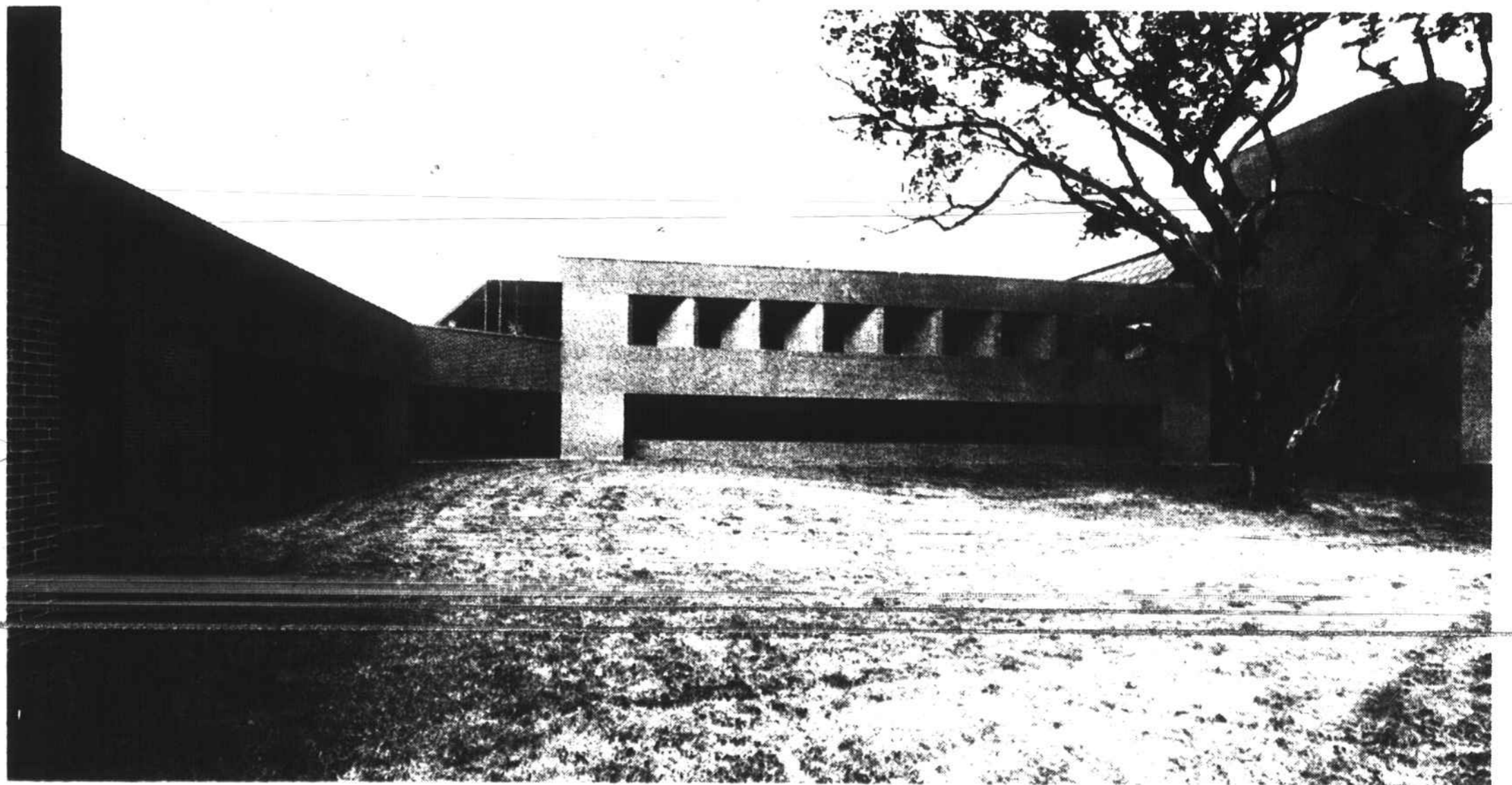
Smith said that R.J. Reynolds is pleased to have had resources enough to help the university construct the building in one stage. Original plans called for several construction stages.

"R.J. Reynolds is honored and proud to have this building named the R.J. Reynolds Center," he said.

Dr. H. Douglas Covington, WSSU's chancellor, presided over the 20-minute dedication.

"This building is a landmark which represents the cooperative spirit that exists between Winston-Salem State University and the corporate community," Covington said. "It is our sincere hope that we can continue to build upon and strengthen this relationship."

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Winston-Salem State University's new business building has been christened the R.J. Reynolds Center.

## Moving on

Angelou tells grads they're the key to the future

By JOHN SLADE  
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Maya Angelou -- noted novelist, poet, entertainer and educator -- wiped tears from her eyes as she told 300 Winston-Salem State University graduates to "take note of racism and sexism" but to say "Yes, I can" to work for reform in the United States and around the world.

"You have met ignorance and bested

it, ... idleness and conquered it, ... cynicism and fought it back," said the Reynolds professor of American studies at Wake Forest University at WSSU's 92nd commencement exercises last Sunday at the Winston-Salem Coliseum.

Angelou, author of "I Know Why the Caged Bird Sings," other novels, television screenplays and several

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A graduation hug (photo by James Parker).

## Aldermen approve measure to enforce city housing codes

By AUDREY L. WILLIAMS  
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The Winston-Salem Board of Aldermen Monday night adopted a policy that will bring criminal charges amounting to a misdemeanor against landlords and tenants who fail to comply with the city's housing codes.

The board passed the measure 4-2, with aldermen Ernestine Wilson and Robert Northington Jr. voting against the provision that allows the city to fine or jail

tenants who have been ordered to vacate property ruled unfit for habitation but remain there without making an effort to find alternative housing.

Landlords who continue to take rent from such tenants also would be prosecuted.

Wilson and Northington said they voted against the policy because it is discriminatory.

Northington called the policy, which

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