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## Lover Jailed

# Teenage mother murdered at party

By RUDY ANDERSON  
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A seventeen year old girl died this week in Winston-Salem. She was shot dead Monday night while attending a cookout on East 17th Street. She left behind an eight

month old son, a grieving family searching for answers, and her boyfriend behind bars facing a murder charge.

Her name was Camilla Carlotta McClellan. She had been a junior at West Forsyth High School before she dropped out last year. She last

attended the Optional Education Center. She was trying to make a comeback.

She was described by her family as a girl who wasn't into drugs and was never into any kind of trouble. Her aunt, Ms. Dorothy M. Fair, said she overheard her niece tell her

mother, Ms. Jessie F. Davis, that she was going to a cookout about 7:30 Monday night. That was the last time she saw her alive.

Capt. Ed Moreau, head of the police department's detective divi-



Murder victim Camilla McClellan



Jailed lover Raymond Jennings

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Photo by L.B. Speas Jr.

Developers Jose Isasi and Mary Sheppard say community support, specifically in the form of potential home buyers, is vital to the success of their upscale housing project in East Winston.

# Developers take risk on housing project in East Winston community

By TONYA V. SMITH  
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How a Cuban and a good ol' girl from Lewisville became business partners is a story line akin to something one would see in a movie theater. The more important question, on the lips of many white developers in the Twin City, is why the duo would even think about building 38 homes with a price tag upwards of \$130,000 in East Winston.

Two housing developments ago, Mary Sheppard called Jose Isasi, who was then living in Birmingham, England.

"I didn't even know him but somebody

had told me about him," Mrs. Sheppard explained. "I said, 'How would you like to go in with me and build 98 homes?' And he said he would like to and that's how the partnership started."

"Yes, that's just what she did," said Mr. Isasi, his accent striking the ears like that of Ricky Ricardo from "I Love Lucy." "She found out I was coming here and she called me up and said, 'I'm Mary Sheppard from Winston-Salem, N.C.'"

The Sheppard-Isasi partnership is even more unique when you consider their dif-

ferent backgrounds. For most of her life, Mrs. Sheppard was best known as the wife of J.R. Sheppard, president and CEO of the recently defunct Sheppard Veneer Company, and mother of two sons. An avid writer, Mrs. Sheppard also has penned two novels and had them published.

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# Aldermen OK development plan

By TONYA V. SMITH  
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Despite some aldermen's concerns about subsidizing a development with homes that would sell for \$110,000 to \$140,000, the city board approved Monday the middle and upper income housing project slated for East Winston.

The city's participation will include it loaning Sheppard Inc. \$275,000 to cover the cost of street construction and installation of water and sewer lines; and a \$101,253 investment to provide homeowners with buyer incentives.

Developers Jose Isasi and Mary Sheppard are planning to erect the \$798,395 project off Wallingford Road

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# County sheriff: No one can stop jail suicide

By TONYA V. SMITH  
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Five inmates have committed suicide inside the Forsyth County Jail since 1985 and while that is an unfortunate statistic, it is one that the sheriff and jailers can't do much about, said E. Preston Oldham.

Raymond Spough, Dec. 2, 1985;

Walter Watson, Aug. 7, 1986; Thomas Douthit, Aug. 30, 1986; and Todd Hand in December 11, 1989, all killed themselves while in custody in the county facility. However, the suicide that once again made the local jail the target of criticisms of mismanagement was that of Richard Hayes on March 19, 1990.

But controversy is nothing new for Sheriff Oldham. He and his staff were

blamed for ineffective law enforcement when Michael Hayes went on a murderous rampage last year off Old Salisbury Road, when inmate Elijah Snipes got lost in the paper work and when jail trustee Jackie Mabe simply walked out of the facility.

A few weeks ago, Alderman Virginia K. Newell said she was bombarded with telephone calls from white and

Afro-American county residents concerned about what they deemed mishaps in the jail. Sheriff Oldham takes responsibilities for all of the above, save the suicides.

"Deaths here have not been a pre-dominate thing. There's been no rhyme or reason or time to it," Sheriff Oldham said. "The officers try to screen inmates

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# Grandmother screams discrimination Barber won't cut hair

By RUDY ANDERSON  
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The refusal of a local barber to a simple request for a haircut has become the focus of an investigation by the Winston-Salem Human Relations Department, according to department director Emery L. Rann.

Rann said Monday that Ms. Darlene Bell filed a discrimination complaint with his office Friday April 13 alleging that the owner of the Wachovia Continental Barber-

shop refused to cut her grandson's hair.

Ms. Bell said in an interview Tuesday that her daughter Teresa Polzine, and her son, five year old Anthony, had come to the Wachovia building on Friday April 6 to take her to lunch. She said they ate in a cafe located in the basement of the building. She said when they were leaving the cafe her daughter noticed the barbershop next door and decided her son needed to get a haircut. Ms. Bell explained that her

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"I was very surprised, shocked and embarrassed to hear him say this. This is 1990."  
-- Darlene Bell

# Community urges drug war partnership

By ROBIN BARKSDALE  
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Efforts to rid drugs from the community and the public housing units are likely to fail unless there is a partnership formed between the police department, residents and other community agencies, said a group of panelists at a Tuesday Fair Housing Month program.

A discussion on "The Effect of the War on Drugs in Public Housing" drew a range of responses and emotions ran high as representatives from all segments of the community met to talk about ways to begin to tackle the problem. Lee Faye Mack, a community activist, said that residents must shoulder the responsibility of taking the

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## Winston-Salem Chronicle NewsUpdate



### Student slain; may be a gang connection

MILTON, Mass. -- Milton High School student Charles Hardison, 16, is pictured with his prom date Antoinette Barrows in this recent photo. Hardison was found shot to death at his parents' home, and police say he may have been killed because he informed on area gang members.

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# City's hero honored Portrait to hang in new coliseum

By ROBIN BARKSDALE  
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The East Winston Community Development Corporation Inc. and the residents of East Winston will culminate a successful campaign to provide a portrait of Lawrence Joel at the coliseum which bears his name this weekend during a special dedication ceremony.

The EWDC exceeded their goal of \$5,000 and will present to the City of Winston-Salem a portrait of Mr. Joel, prepared by local artist Louis Cornell Jr., Sunday, April 22, at 5 p.m. at the coliseum.

Paula McCoy, a community

liaison on the staff of the EWDC, said that the economic development organization responded to the project after being made aware of the need by the artist and by members of the community.

"Mr. Cornell had a desire to do the portrait of Lawrence Joel and he needed the support of an organization," said Ms. McCoy. "We got involved because we thought it was worthwhile and because we thought it could be a community-based effort."

She said that the organization chose to raise the necessary funds for the project through a grassroots fund-raising effort rather

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Staff Photo

East Winston Community Development Corp. members stand with the artist and the portrait of Lawrence Joel. From left are Steve Sharp, Lynda McNeil, artist Louis Cornell, Paula McCoy and James Grace.

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