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Human Relations Commission

Scope, impact changing

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Formed in 1978 as the result of an agreement with HUD (Housing and Urban Development) to enforce fair housing ordinances, the Winston-Salem Human Relations Commission spent much of its first decade settling housing disputes.

Such cases, largely landlord-tenant disputes, come through the New Horizons Fair Housing Committee, a subcommittee of the Human Relations Com-

mission.

But in the last few years, the commission has been called on to explore new territory; to stretch the realm of human relations to include human rights, and to make decisions which are increasingly political. Making peace between a landlord and tenant doesn't pose the public relations problem that would arise from endorsing gay rights or supporting black leaders charged with political corruption.

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"... The commission has the authority to deal with a lot of things. ... They're being called upon more to take a position on issues ..."

- Angela Carmon



ON THE AVANT-GARDE

By TANG NIVRI

Sorrow for the parents

As a father, as a citizen, as a child of God, I ache deeply inside for all those who will be scarred forever by the incident that resulted in the stabbing death of two children at the Caldwell County High School.

I ache especially for those parents of the two boys who died and also for the two boys whose actions resulted in the death of their fellow students. I ache for their parents as well, for they too, have now lost their children. We have all lost.

For God's sake, the one who is accused of the stabbing was only 16 years of age. His accomplice, 17. The boys who died — one was 16, the other 17. None of them were even old enough to vote.

I guess the first thing that always comes to mind is why? Why did it have to happen in the first place?

Why didn't somebody step forward and just holler out loud, "It's just not worth the lives of two children!" It makes one wonder that in addition to teaching reading, writing, and arithmetic, our schools (we) also need to teach leadership!

Oh, I know that this is not the first time that somebody has stabbed somebody at school and they died, but somehow this incident is different. Maybe it's because my children are growing up now. Maybe.

Maybe it's because I know that they are within the age range when these things start to happen. These stupid things — like playing with guns and drinking and driving. I don't know why I am so disturbed.

Maybe this incident is different for me because I realize that it appears to be the same old thing — the same thing that happened when you and I were growing up.

Back in those days when kids fought each other, it was for the same stupid reasons that kids seem to be fighting for now. Stupid reasons. No it wasn't for tennis shoes or gold chains or bomber jackets but stupid reasons just the same. Just outright stupid. Reasons, that upon reflection, nobody in their right mind could believe that "that" was the reason they were fighting in the first place.

I am sure that there will be many who will want to characterize this incident as race related because the victims were black and the alleged perpetrators were white.

God how I hope that people won't do that. That you will not be drawn into that kind of discussion. Try not to do that for all of us. Forget the damned Ku Klux Klan and their ultimate stupidity. They will fail.

Somehow I hope that you and I will look at this incident as a fight between two high school students that got out of hand — not ideologies. Not political parties, democrats and republicans, not economic classes, north against south, Protestant against Catholic, gentile against Jew, but instead as a human tragedy in which parents whoever they are have lost their children and only God knows why?

Coach Zeiters resigns amid sexual rumors

West names Interim Coach

By SHERIDAN HILL
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Russell Stone, assistant head coach and offensive coordinator at West Forsyth High School, has been named interim head coach to replace Denny Zeiters. Zeiters resigned a week ago when allegations of improper conduct surfaced.

Kellee E. Taylor, 18, has sued Zeiters, claiming that he was sexually suggestive in letters and comments to her. Taylor is a 1991 West graduate and lived with the Zeiters during her junior year.

The Winston-Salem Journal reported on Tuesday that Stone was named to replace Zeiters as head coach immediately after West's victorious football game last Friday night. However, the principal, Jerry Peoples, said that was not true.

"Somebody manufactured that. I never talked to any reporters," said Peoples yesterday.

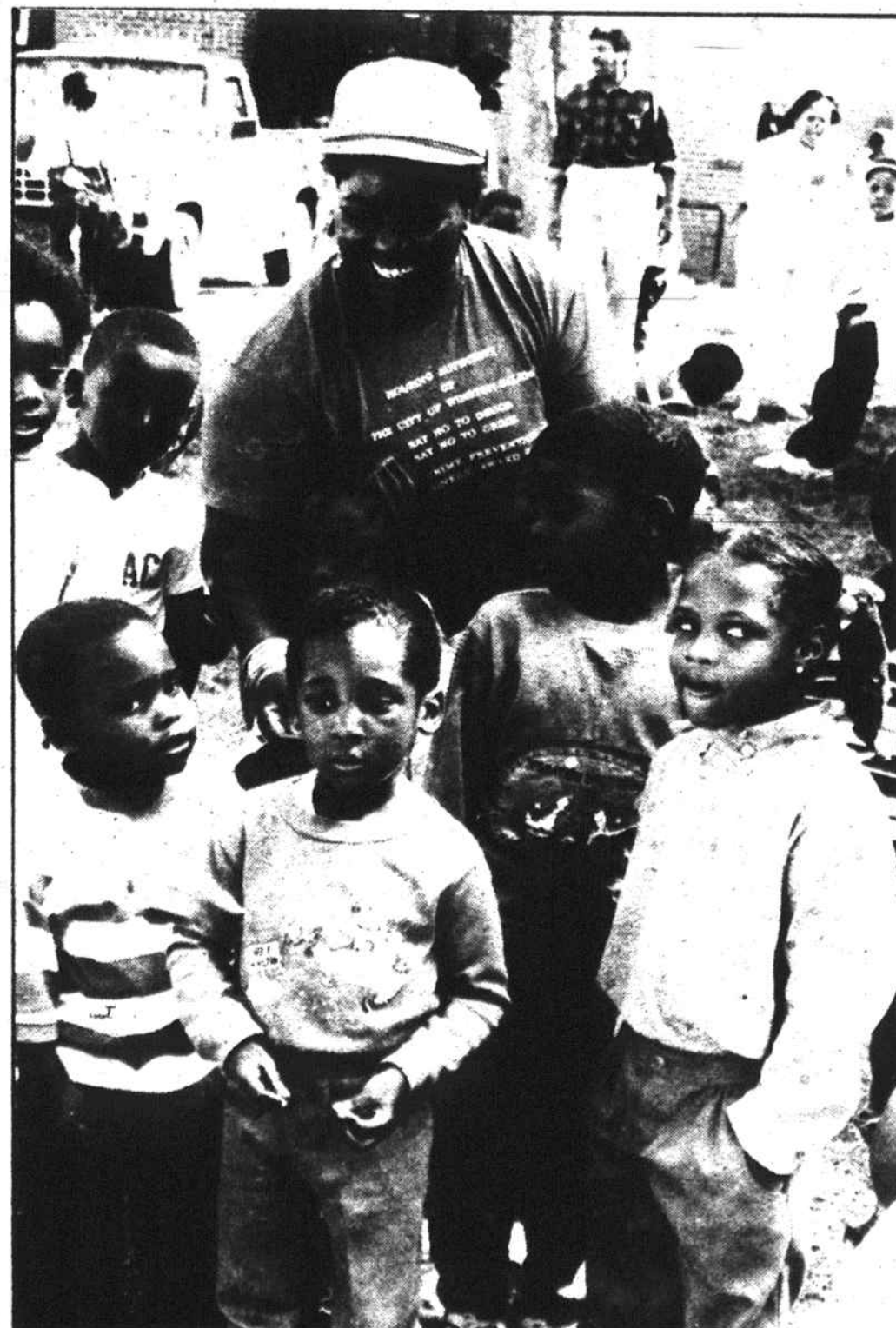
A spokesman for Superintendent Larry Coble also

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Governor's Open at Winston Lake!

Dr. Willie Bailey accepts a \$5,000 check from tournament proceeds while (left to right) Jim Polk, Gov. Jim Martin, Alderman Virginia Newell, James Grace and Ernie Pitt look on. For complete coverage see page B1.



Maggie Evans joins in the fun at Happy Hills during an end-of-summer cookout and party. Photo by Mike Cunningham

Resident Councils hold end of summer picnic

The sun shined brightly on Saturday, September 21, giving way to a beautiful day for Resident Councils of the Winston-Salem Housing Authority, Power 97-FM Radio Station and First Citizens Bank, to sponsor a celebration to mark the summer's end. Community cookouts were held at Happy Hill Gardens,

community Resource Center staff. Special guests for this occasion were Sam Weaver, program and special events director for WQMG-FM Radio Station; J. R. Gorham, vice president of First Citizens Bank; Anthony Flack, branch manager for First Citizens Bank; Ann White from High Point Housing Authority Commission; the Spirit of Life Community Choir, who provided special music for this event; and residents of the Housing Authority's five elderly communities — Sunrise Towers, Crystal Towers, Healy Drive Towers, Eastgate Village, and Holland Homes. The A.B.C.D. Teens presented a Youth Showcase in which teens from Kimberly Park, Cleveland Avenue Homes, and Piedmont Park participated.

According to Lucille Ransby, crime prevention coordinator with the Winston-Salem Housing Authority, the event was initially supposed to be a back-to-school cookout. But officials decided instead, to make it an "End of Summer Picnic."

"It's another effort to work with our youth and their parents for a drug-free community," stated Ransby. "We had all ages, from little babies to senior citizens."

- Sharmel C. Gray

Kimberly Park Terrace, Cleveland Avenue Homes, and Piedmont Park where 1,200 residents, and guests enjoyed hamburgers, hot dogs, and all the fixin's.

An opening ceremony for the event was held in Happy Hill Gardens with community leaders; Resident Council Officers; "Say Y.E.S.," "M.A.D.," "We Care," "A Better You, A Better Me," directors and staff; and Com-

WQMG-FM Power 97 has made a commitment to Winston-Salem Public Housing Communities to co-sponsor activities which call for family and community interaction. In addition, the radio station has sponsored family activities with the Greensboro Housing Authority and looks forward to co-sponsoring events with the Burlington Housing Authority and the High Point Housing Authority.