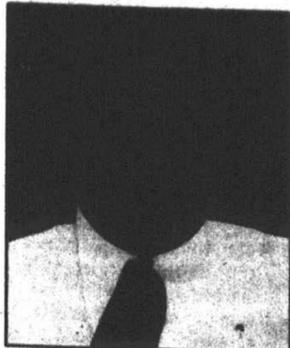


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Arthur S. Milligan Jr.
HAWS director

Judge Dismisses Lawsuit Against HAWS

▲ Woman Failed to prove allegations of age and racial discrimination

By JOHN HINTON
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A U.S. District Court judge has dismissed the lawsuit of a local woman who alleged that the Housing Authority of Winston-Salem discriminated against her on the basis of age, race, and color violating state law and her right to due process.

Judge William L. Osteen Sr. granted on Sept. 29 summary judgment to HAWS, its board of commissioners, and its executive director, Arthur S. Milligan Jr., the defendants in the lawsuit.

Patsy T. Cranfill, a 60-year-old white woman, filed the action against HAWS after she was passed over for a promotion

and fired from HAWS in October 1992.

Osteen ruled that Cranfill failed to establish a claim of age or race discrimination under federal law. He said further that HAWS met its burden of producing a legitimate, non-discriminatory reason for Cranfill's dismissal.

"We are pleased with his ruling," said

Allan R. Gitter, an attorney for HAWS. "He made his summary judgment with no oral argument. It was all done by paper."

Cranfill's attorney, J. Gary Vannoy of North Wilkesboro, declined to comment directly on the ruling.

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Students Receive National Acclaim

By MAURICE CROCKER
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Five Winston-Salem students have been chosen among the nation's most prominent academic achievers, and hope to be named soon as National Achievement Scholars.

Students from four area high schools have been chosen along with 1,500 other African American students across the nation.

The five students chosen from Winston-Salem are Darryl A. Piggot, Denard B. Mickens, Shaun A. Tanner, Camille P. Breathette, and Jael Humphrey-Skomer. Earlier this year,

Breathette skipped her senior year and enrolled at Wake Forest University.

Humphrey-Skomer graduated from Salem Academy. Four other students from the academy were commended by the scholarship committee for their academic achievements. Those students are Crystal Daniel, Cherchez Davthit, Natasha Smith, and Latonya Wright.

The students have been chosen as semifinalists in the 1996 National Achievement Scholarship Program.

The Achievement Program is an annual competition for 800 Achievement Scholarship awards. The awards total nearly \$3 million, and are sup-

ported by 140 corporate organizations, company foundations, higher education institutions, and the program's own funding.

"I think this is an honor. I'm very honored that the work I do is recognized with some of the best in the nation," said Denard Mickens, a senior at Bishop McGuinness High School.

Mickens says the scholarship will help him further his education. Mickens has applied to the University of North Carolina at Chapel Hill and plans to study biology.

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From left to right: Cherchez Davthit, Natasha Smith, Latonya Smith, and Crystal Daniel, are four students from Salem Academy, who were commended for academic achievement.

Waughtown In Shock

▲ Murder leaves business owners concerned over crime

By MAURICE CROCKER
Chronicle Staff Writer

Business owners in the Waughtown community expressed their fears and concerns about crime after the murder of a 75-year-old business woman.

Flora Florencia Trivette of Winston Salem was shot and killed last Thursday in her Army-Navy Surplus Store. She was found dead with a gunshot wound to the head.

According to police reports, Trivette's daughter, Carole Martin, called the police after she went to the store to check on her mother.

When Martin arrived around 7 p.m., she noticed the open sign was still on, the door was open, and her mother's car was still there. She automatically knew something was wrong. Police pronounced Trivette dead on the scene. According to police, Trivette was shot with a small caliber handgun.

"We never had any problems with crime except shoplifting, but we never expected anything like this," said Reggie Doub, Trivette's grandson.

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ELLA JENKINS IN THE NEIGHBORHOOD

Ella Jenkins, who performed on the television shows of "Barney," "Sesame Street," "Mr. Roberts Neighborhood" and several other PBS shows, appeared in concert at the Mt. Zion Enrichment Center last week.

More than 70 children from the Bethlehem Center attended this event, which was sponsored by the Western N.C. Conference Weekday Childrens Ministry Committee of the United Methodist Church.

Pictured right is Jenkins playing the harmonica with a young boy. Below, the children express their appreciation for Jenkins' talents.



D.C. March Set for 16th

▲ 3,500 local men to make historic journey

By MAURICE CROCKER
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More than 3,500 African American men in Winston-Salem are gearing up to take part in the Million Man March on Washington next week.

More than a million African American men are expected to gather in Washington, D.C. Monday, Oct. 16 for what is being called the day of atonement.

"As of right now, there are 3,743 men that have paid their registration to attend the march," said Minister Mickey X (Miller), local representative for the Nation of Islam.

According to Miller, members of the Nation of Islam have been working hard at encouraging other men to register and participate in the march.

Miller said there would be seven chartered buses waiting to leave Winston-Salem Sunday night.

"Not all the men from Winston-Salem are riding the buses," Miller said. "The majority of the men are leaving earlier and are going to make a long weekend of it."

Although participants may have various means of travel, those participants, who are

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Clinton Urged to Take Visible Role

WASHINGTON (AP) — Blacks and conservatives are urging President Clinton to take a more visible role in dealing with racial tension spawned by the O.J. Simpson murder trial.

They suggested that Clinton would have an opportunity to frame the debate next week, courtesy of a Washington march organized by Nation of Islam leader Louis Farrakhan as a call to personal responsibility for black men.

Farrakhan, in an appearance Sunday on ABC's "This Week with David Brinkley," said Clinton should back the Oct. 16 march to communicate to black Amer-

icans that he supports black self-help. "What intelligent person would not want to embrace that kind of idea?" Farrakhan asked.

Clinton, however, would prefer to address race in the context of federal budget priorities, White House chief of staff Leon Panetta said.

"If we pass a budget that gets rid of affirmative action, that cuts into the very programs that help to educate children ... that's the worst thing we can do in terms

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This Week in Black History
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Boston blacks, led by Prince Hall, petitioned legislature for equal school facilities.

WHERE TO FIND IT

Nigerian Leader Sets Election Date

ABUJA, Nigeria, Oct. 1 — Nigeria, Africa's most powerful nation, will emerge from military government to complete civilian authority in three years, according to Gen. Sani Abacha, commander-in-chief of the Armed Forces, and chairman of the Provisional Ruling Council.

"The Presidency, the final tier of a democratically elected government, will be installed by Oct. 1, 1998," Gen. Abacha pledged in a 35th Independence Day address broadcast from the Presidential Complex here.

Meanwhile, all restrictions on political activity will be lifted, a new constitution will be approved, a national electoral commission and a National Reconciliation Committee will be established this year.

Next year, he said, Nigerians will elect local and state governments and will register new political parties under a multi-party system.

Gen. Abacha commuted the sen-

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