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Local woman hits
century mark
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Singer spending
holiday in Spain

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A Call for Peace



Photos by Kevin Walker
...embraces
...during
...held last week
...Street. Little's
...son, Corey,
...d killed on the
...month.

Neighbors call for end to violence

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...
...over an epidemic
...cured with pills or
...about two dozen
...protest in the bitter
...Thursday evening.
...men, boys and girls
...Liberty Street with
...picket signs, decrying
...violence that has rocked
...they marched.
...rest is the second in
...weeks organized by the
...Corey Little, who was
...killed at the BP Gas
...Station 22 Liberty Street on
...he was 18; his alleged
...killer is still at large, is
...just senseless," the
...mother, Delores Little,
...said. "There are so many young
...men around these
...parts."
...The family has been on
...the streets since they lost
...Corey. Delores Little
...went door to door to try to
...convince neighbors in the Cleve-
...land area aware of the
...tragedy the family has also



Nicole Little wears a sweat shirt with a picture of her late brother on the back.

called on local religious leaders and politicians to help curb teen violence. But the family's fight has been twofold. While they are concerned about teens killing teens for no reason, they also want the BP Gas Station where Corey Little was shot to be closed down. The family says the station has become a death trap, with many

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Fourth-graders learn writing, hip-hop style

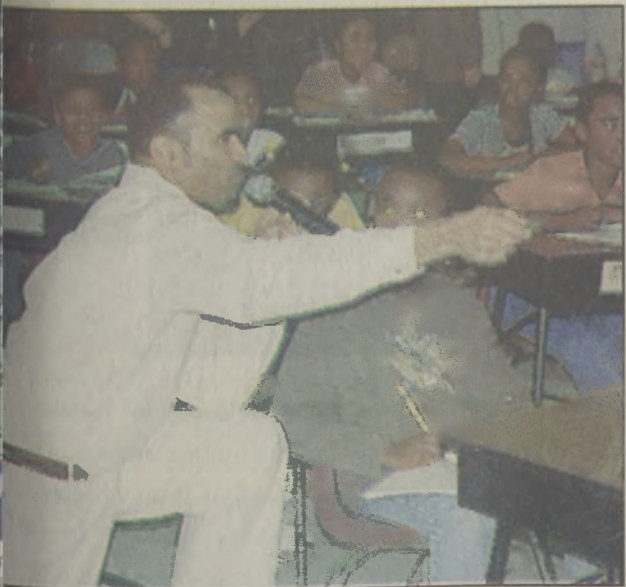


Photo by Kevin Walker
...his laser pointer to help students master the art of
...spelling tests.

BY T. KEVIN WALKER
THE CHRONICLE

The name Erik Cork may not ring a bell with most people, but to fourth-grade students at two local schools Cork is a celebrity of Michael Jordan-like proportions.

Cork has gained a national following for his uncanny ability of teaching writing, hip-hop style. Cork presented "Rap, Rhythm & Rhyme," a day-long, intense writing workshop that may have the students dance one moment and rap the next, last week at Petree and Kimberley Park elementary schools.

Only fourth-grade students at both schools were treated to the workshop; school officials wanted to focus on fourth-graders because they will take the N.C. Writing Test in March.

Cork repeatedly tried to convey to the students during the workshops that writing can be as natural to them as singing a song. They both take practice, he said.

"Learn it like you are learning a new dance or song," he told students at Kimberley Park. "Learning comes natural to all living creatures and you are all living creatures."

But Cork is more action than talk. He often set grammar and punctuation rules to music, stating them rhythmically as the students repeated after him. Often the rhythmic lessons lead to dance moves. Kimberley Park students did everything from the "Electric Slide" to the "Bankhead Bounce" during the workshop.

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UNCF office says goodbye, Winston; hello, Charlotte

BY T. KEVIN WALKER
THE CHRONICLE

The N.C. office of the United Negro College Fund no longer calls Winston-Salem home.

UNCF packed up and moved its headquarters to Charlotte more than a month ago, after calling the Twin City home for years. UNCF has raised money for 39 private, historically-black colleges and universities throughout the nation.

Marilyn Richards, UNCF's N.C. director, did not return calls regarding the move. She told The Charlotte Post last month that she hoped the move would help UNCF generate more funds.

"We came to Charlotte because it is one of the fastest growing areas in the Southeast," she said. "We expect the move to enhance our fund-raising significantly through improved access to resources along with higher visibility."

Richards also told the newspaper that it was important for the office to be in the same town as a UNCF school. Winston-Salem State University is a public historically-black school and is not one of the organization's member institutions.

"The move was necessary so we could be in the same city with Johnson C. Smith University," she said. "I think it is important for us to be close to our member institutions."

UNCF held a coming-out party of sorts last week in Charlotte. The Maya Angelou Tribute to Achievement was the organization's first big fund-raiser in its new city. The event honored people like Johnson C. Smith President Dorothy Yancy and former governor James Martin; it also featured a concert by Ashford and Simpson.

UNCF had held several annual fund-raising events here, including a

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Community helping family devastated by fire, death

BY PAUL COLLINS
THE CHRONICLE

Anyone who would like to help the Jesus Navarrete family — which lost a precious 3-month-old girl and virtually all of their possessions in a fire Nov. 22 — has several avenues available.

Neely Kramer, marketing director of Key Resources Inc., a staffing agency where Jesus Navarrete is employed, said Tuesday that a Navarrete Relief Fund has been set up at First Citizens Bank, and about \$685 has been donated. In addition, two Christmas gifts were left for the family at the First Citizens in downtown Greensboro.

Kramer said that donations of money may be made at any First Citizens branch in the Triad.

She advises people who want to help the family, to donate money rather than, say, furniture or clothing. That way the family can buy whatever they need, she said.

However, if you wish to donate something other than money, Security Storage at 425 E. Monmouth Street in Winston-Salem, where the Navarrete family has space rented, will accept items Monday through Saturdays 8 a.m. to 6 p.m. and Sundays 1:30 to 6 p.m. through the holidays, or as long as needed, a spokesman for the company said. Ask for Jessica Rogers or owner Mike Coe.

People may also make donations at Casa Guadalupe, which is part of Catholic Social Services, said Veronica Zambrano, a Spanish interpreter for Casa Guadalupe. Call Lisa Alexander at 727-4745 for information.

Zambrano said Casa Guadalupe has already helped or has plans to help the family with counseling for the children and parents, Christmas gifts, food, interpreting. She said Casa Guadalupe also

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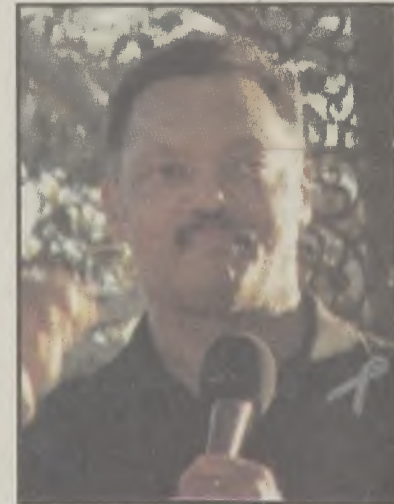
Rainbow/Push files lawsuit over votes thrown out in Florida's Duval County

BY: RAOUL DENNIS
NNPA NEWS WIRE

WASHINGTON — In a landmark move, Rev. Jesse Jackson, Rep. Corinne Brown (D-Fla.) and several plaintiffs have filed suit against Florida's Duval County Canvassing Board, George W. Bush and Richard Cheney in a civil rights case concerning 27,000 votes thrown out in Duval county — 16,000 of which were African-American votes, the NNPA was told in a morning media conference this week.

Attorney Lewis Myers Jr., lead counsel on the case, charged that the organization called the situation in Florida beyond partisan politics or even who should be recognized as the winner of Florida's electoral votes.

"What we are doing here is not a Democratic or Republican issue," Myers said. "This is a civil rights voting rights issue. When you exclude black votes, that is unlawful. We cannot tolerate the wholesale violation of our right to vote by anyone. That only encourages this



Jackson

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