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STROKE SURVIVORS INSPIRE AND WARN OTHERS

BY LAYLA FARMER
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Life can change in an instant. That's the common knowledge that all stroke survivors share. But, the way survivor Melissa Moore sees it, life is also what you make it.

"Life is different now," commented Moore, who suffered a stroke in 2006, "but different doesn't have to be bad. It can be good."



Moore

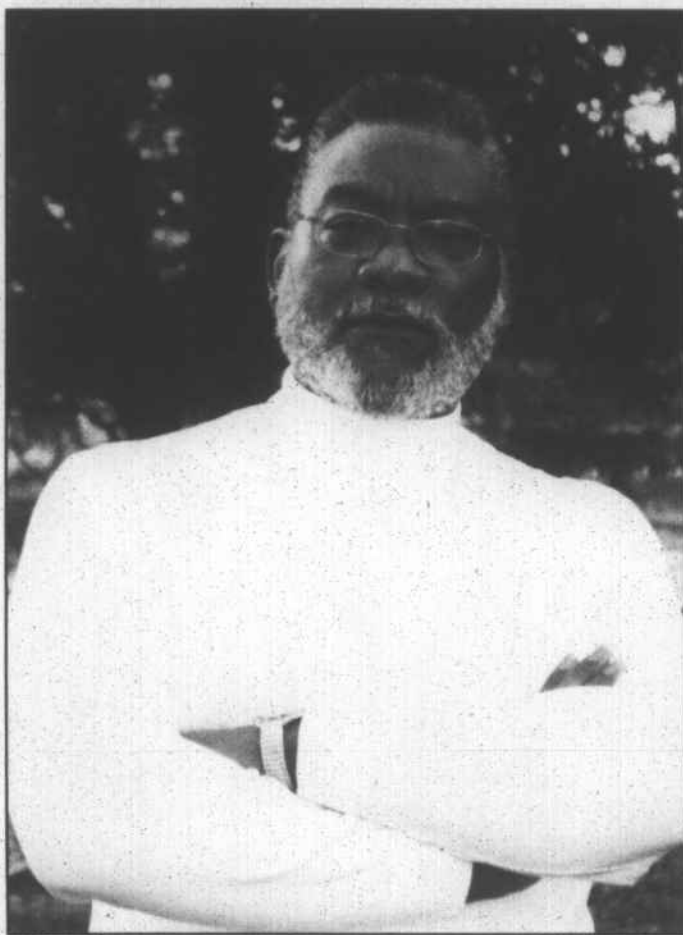
Moore was among the dozens of stroke survivors on hand at Forsyth Medical Center Oct. 29 - World Stroke Day - for the medical center's second Annual Stroke Survivor Celebration. Dr. Chere Chase, medical director of Neurosciences at FMC, started the annual gatherings at the hospital.

"We wanted to get people together to celebrate their survival, but also to expose them to services that are available," Chase said of the celebration. "Most of our survivors last year said that it was very helpful."

Moore, then 34 years-old, was teaching Spanish at Parkland IB Magnet High School when she "got ... the worst headache of my life. I told my students to tell the principal to dial 9-1-1 because I knew instantly something was wrong."

Moore would later discover an aneurysm was to blame for the stroke. The pressure on her brain caused Moore to lose most of her sight, but she has remained upbeat, determined to look at the bright side.

"The road to recovery was very long at the hospital, but I



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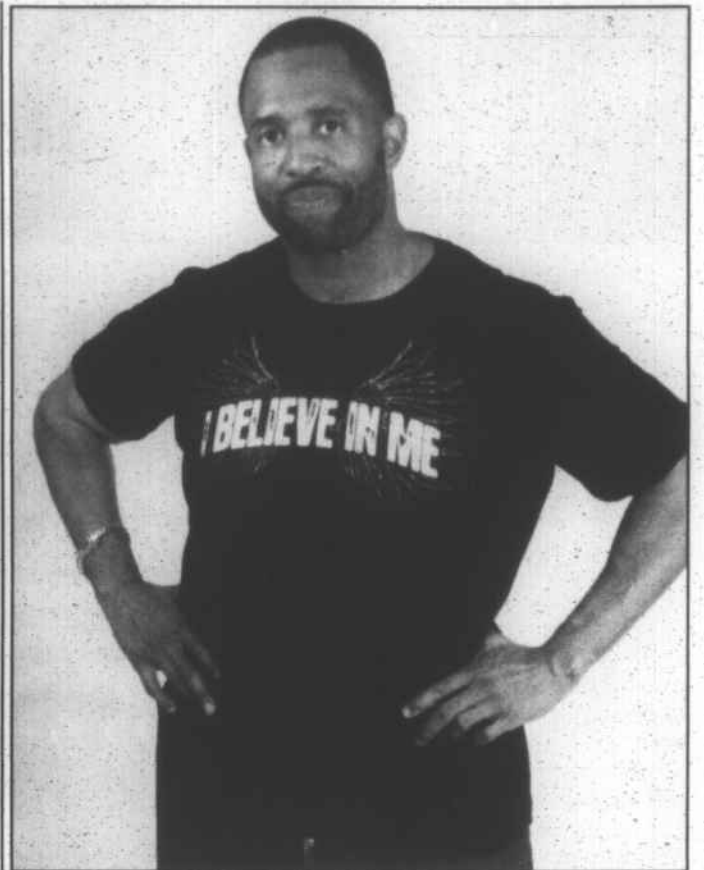


Photo courtesy of K. Canion

Ken Canion sports one of his t-shirts.

'Loser' Canion launches line of positive clothing

BY LAYLA FARMER
THE CHRONICLE

For Greensboro resident Ken Canion, inspiration comes in all sizes, literally.

Canion, 44, a motivational speaker, author and entrepreneur, founded the Affirmation Apparel clothing line earlier this year, as a means of empowering people to live up to their full potential.

T-shirts in nine different designs are currently available through the company's Web site, affirmationapparel.com, and will officially be launched tomorrow (Nov. 6) at the Galleria Events Center in Greensboro. The shirts come in a variety of cuts and styles, and bear statements like "I Believe in Me," "I am Destined for Greatness" and "My Dream is Worth the Effort."

"I recognized that there was a segment of the population that wanted something different," Canion said of his motivation to start the company. "...Everybody wants hope."

Each shirt comes with a motivational placard that expounds on the sentiment the shirt expresses.

"If you keep saying these things, ultimately, you'll believe them," Canion remarked. "...I just hope that our line makes people want to take action and change their lives (for the bet-

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A LESSON IN SELFLESSNESS



Photo by Todd Luck

Quashia Harrison (front) and Angela Castillo collect cans and bottles.

North Hills students put battered women ahead of their wants

BY TODD LUCK
THE CHRONICLE

Math class turned into a lesson in helping others for students at North Hills Elementary School.

For the month of October, kids and members of the school's faculty collected aluminum cans and plastic bottles, which were turned over to a local recycling center in exchange for cash. Students had debated on using the money raised for everything from taking a field trip and throwing a party, to buying a school pet. But in the end, they put others before themselves and opted to



Preston

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Jackson knocks timid, meek Christians

BY T. KEVIN WALKER
THE CHRONICLE

The Rev. Jesse Jackson says this century's Civil Rights Movement won't be a fight against Jim Crow but Fannie Mae.

During a series of public appearances in the Triad last weekend, Jackson urged people of faith and those of goodwill to join the Rainbow/PUSH Coalition (his Chicago-based nonprofit) in its efforts to make corporate America, especially banks, more consumer-friendly and less profit-driven.

"Good people must do bold things," Jackson said Sunday from the pulpit at Friendship Baptist Church.

A day earlier, the civil rights icon made several appearances in Greensboro, including one at the



Photo by Kevin Walker

Rev. Jesse Jackson greets churchgoers after his sermon.

Homecoming Game at his alma mater, N.C. A&T State University. After his sermon at Friendship, Jackson made a surprise visit to Union Baptist Church to address members of the grassroots group CHANGE, who were

gathered there for their 2009 Fall Community Delegates Assembly.

It's Jackson's hope to build a coast-to-coast network of pastors and congregations to fight what he likened to tyrannical behavior by corporations - actions Jackson directly links to the mortgage meltdown and the nation's overall economic mess.

"It's a sin to adjust to oppression," said Jackson, who tied his words to Bible verses where God urges his people to fight for the meek.

Jackson wants to hold face-to-face "prayer meetings" with corporate leaders and elected officials to stem the tide of home foreclosures, plant closures and rising student loan interest rates, which Jackson says are

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GOT YA' COVERED



Photo by Kevin Walker

Sgt. Robert Cozart of the Winston-Salem Police Department keeps a Boy Scout dry Saturday as they make their way along the WSSU Homecoming Parade route. See pages B1 and B8 for more images from this year's parade.

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