

Blue Wave coming?



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## Civil rights leaders: Go vote

BY CASH MICHAELS FOR THE CHRONICLE

With the May 8 primaries commencing in three weeks, and early voting beginning today through May 5, veterans of the 1960s and '70s Civil Rights Movement came to North Carolina recently to encourage black voters to study the issues, register to

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vote, and cast their ballots in both the primaries and Nov. 6 midterm elections.

On Saturday, U.S. Rep. John Lewis of Georgia came to Knightdale to attend a private fundraiser for St. Augustine's University, urging all to support HBCUs (historically black colleges and universities).

But the veteran civil rights hero also made the case for turning out the



Raleigh City Councilman Corey Branch and his wife, Chanda, speak with civil rights legend U.S. Rep. John Lewis, during his visit to North Carolina last Saturday, April 14.

Willie Rowe photo

black vote.

Urging the predominately black audience to "Vote like never before," Congressman Lewis credit-

ed black female Democrats in Alabama and Virginia with helping to defeat Trump-backed Republicans in the last few

statewide elections.

"Men, we must get on the ball," Lewis told his audience. "The women and the young people are going

to get us there."

"Men and women of color, with our white, Hispanic, Asian-American colleagues and friends,

must come together," Lewis continued. "If I can say anything, we've got to vote like we've never voted before!"

Rep. Lewis then recounted the legendary 1965 Selma to Montgomery March. Lewis recalled how black people in Alabama did not have the right to even register to vote without unconstitutional poll taxes.

Lewis talked about how the Alabama state troopers blocked the 600 marchers as they came over the Edmund Pettus Bridge, and began beating them mercilessly with night sticks and bullwhips, and firing tear gas in an early march across the bridge.

Lewis - who was 25-years-old at the time - was seriously struck on the head, causing a concussion.

"I thought I saw death. I thought I was going to die," Lewis said, hauntingly as the audience intently listened. "But GOD

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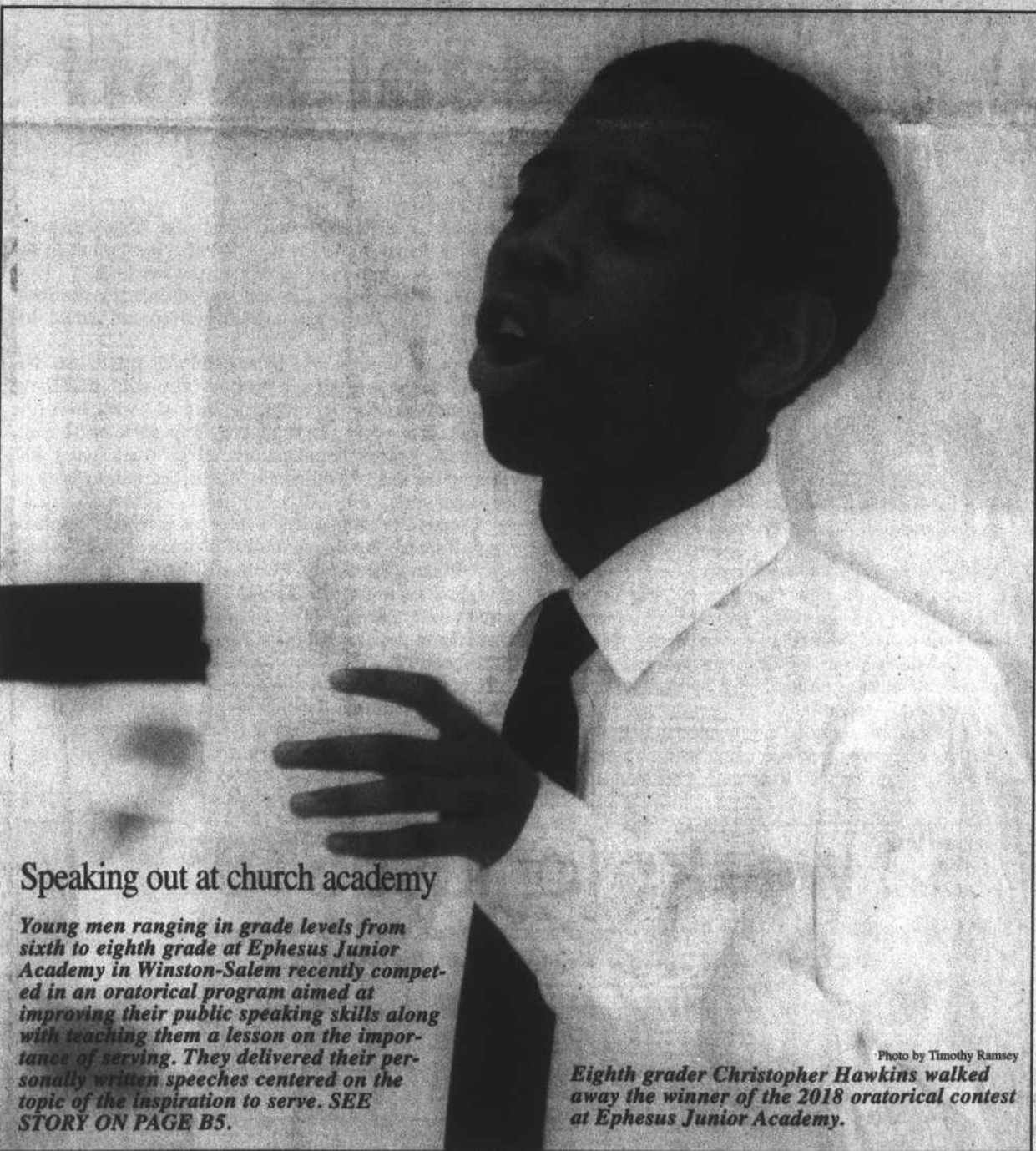


Photo by Timothy Ramsey

Eighth grader Christopher Hawkins walked away the winner of the 2018 oratorical contest at Ephesus Junior Academy.

### Speaking out at church academy

Young men ranging in grade levels from sixth to eighth grade at Ephesus Junior Academy in Winston-Salem recently competed in an oratorical program aimed at improving their public speaking skills along with teaching them a lesson on the importance of serving. They delivered their personally written speeches centered on the topic of the inspiration to serve. SEE STORY ON PAGE B5.

## New city park will be named after N. Malloy

BY TODD LUCK THE CHRONICLE

The new handicap accessible North Ward park, which will break ground next week, will now be named after former City Council Member Nelson Malloy Jr.

The Winston-Salem City Council voted unanimously to name it the Nelson L. Malloy, Jr. Park during its



Photo by Todd Luck

Former City Council Member Nelson Malloy speaks during Monday's City Council meeting, at which a new park was named after him.

Monday, April 16, meeting. The park, located near the corner of Bethabara Road and Shattalon Drive, will be the first of its kind in the city designed around handicap accessibility. It'll feature a dog park for service dogs, a splash pool, picnic shelters, playground, wheelchair swings and flowers that'll appeal to the senses of the visually

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## Who will take on Virginia Foxx?

BY TODD LUCK THE CHRONICLE

Denise "DD" Adams and Jenny Marshall debated in front of a standing room only crowd of fellow Democrats at the Central Library last week over which one of them should challenge Rep. Virginia Foxx in this year's elec-

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tion. Both Adams and Marshall are running for the 5th District seat that's been held by the six-term

Republican representative since 2005. Foxx does have primary challengers, but is expected to win her party's nomination again.

Adams is a City Council member who represents Winston-Salem's North Ward. Marshall is a former teacher and first-time candidate. Both have

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