

What's happening!

July 4, Independence Day is a holiday commemorating the time when America gained its freedom from British Colonial rule. Americans really whooped it up when this freedom was finally granted, and since that time July 4 has been an annual holiday.

The festivities for this holiday range from family back yard cookouts to large class reunions, from traveling coast to coast, to just staying to home.

PRE-FOURTH DISCO...Rameses Temple No. 51, Drill Patrol used the confines of Charlotte's Civic Center last Saturday night in hosting a Pre-Fourth of July Disco.

The very statuesque **ELEAZER THE DISCO QUEEN** furnished the music and some of her dancing antics for the people in attendance.



Bob Johnson

Some of the participants in this 9 p.m. til 1 a.m. affair were Mr. and Mrs. Robert Nealy, Mr. and Mrs. Harold Woods, Mr. and Mrs. Wilson Sherrill, Mr. and Mrs. Stanley Evans, Mr. and Mrs. Charles Williams of the "The House of Charles," Mr. and Mrs. Ernest Smith, Mrs. Carl Addison, Mr. and Mrs. Vince Cauthen, Mr. and Mrs. Gordon Morley, Mr. and Mrs. Jack Hanson, and Mr. and Mrs. James Buford.

SPECIAL EVENT...The Metrolina Chapter of National Organization of Women (N.O.W.) is chartering a bus from Charlotte to Washington, D.C. for all people interested in participating in the July 9th National March to support the ERA Extension. The bus will leave Saturday, July 8 and return Sunday, July 9. Transportation cost is \$25 per person. For more information about the march, the trip, and overnight housing, call 333-5101 between 5 p.m. and 7 p.m. or 333-4613 after 8 p.m.

CLASS DANCE...Second Ward High School's Class of '51 sponsored a Pre-Fourth of July Disco Dance last Saturday night at the National Guard Armory.

The dance lasted from 9 p.m. til 1 a.m. and was a lot of fun for Alma Belton, Sandra Cooper, Gloria Caldwell, Mr. and Mrs. Charles Frazier, Mr. and Mrs. Raymon Tennison, Mr. and Mrs. David Smalls, Willie Grier, Thom Painter, Bernice Young, Cynthia Sommers, Mr. and Mrs. Woodrow Barnes, Mr. and Mrs. Bill Simpson, Mr. and Mrs. Stephen Byers, Mr. and Mrs. Calvin Moss, Mr. and Mrs. Alvin Lotharp, Mr. and Mrs. Vaughn Belton and Mr. and Mrs. Samuel Knox.

"FREAKY" TEA...The lovely young ladies of the BLACK CHARISMA SOCIAL CLUB will sponsor what they call a "Freaky" Tea, Sunday, July 9, at the Elks Home 3313 Tuckaseegee Rd. This sip, snack and freak function will begin at 4 p.m. and last until the last tired body leaves.

CLASS REUNION...Second Ward High School Classes of 1936 and 37 held their second annual class reunion last weekend at the Holiday Inn North, 3815 North Tryon St. in the Wagoner Convention Center.

This meeting of class members began last Friday evening with the registration of participants from 4-6 p.m. and a cocktail session for the classmates from 7 p.m. til 12 a.m. in the Convention Center.

However the big day was Saturday, July 1, where the schedule of all day activities ranged from a class meeting that was held from 10 a.m.-12 p.m. through a disco dance from 9 p.m.-1 a.m.

Group worship services were held last Sunday at 11 a.m. at First Baptist Church, 1801 Oaklawn Ave., which ended a very wonderful weekend for the 1936 and 1937 class members of Second Ward High School.

Some of the folks participating in this reunion fun were Mr. and Mrs. Luther Thompson, Mr. and Mrs. Oliver Withers, Mr. and Mrs. Thomas Spence, Mr. and Mrs. Hyder Massey, Mr. and Mrs. Lloyd Mitchell, Mr. and Mrs. Turner Sumter, Selena Stitt, Mr. and Mrs. Robert Ray, Emma Terry Cheettam, Thomasina Johnson, Thomas Miller from New York, Mr. and Mrs. Charles Withers, Rosa Pettice, Ethel Platts, Mr. and Mrs. Bud Houston, Wash Alexander, Jessie Avery Hanion, Mr. and Mrs. Andrew Watson, Mr. and Mrs. Ray Booton, Mr. and Mrs. Gerson Stroud, Mr. and Mrs. Edward Hargraves, Mr. and Mrs. Albert Haywood, Lucille Richardson, Julia Ford, Linda Harley, and Brenda Worthy.

GOLF FUN...The Sportsmen 5" will sponsor a 4 ball golf tournament at the Revolution Golf Course, Saturday, and Sunday, July 22 and 23.

There will be an abundance of trophies and prizes given away to the better 2-man teams in each of four flights.

FIRE WORK FUN??? According to the very petite ANGELA CALDWELL, misery is trying to mingle with 62,000 people at Freedom Park's annual display of fireworks held every July 4.

Her companions in this venture were Cassandra Ross, TaDonya Ross, Patansa Coleman, Torrence Wade, Donnie Ardrey, and Shiquisha Caldwell.

Vernon Jordan:

Bakke Suit Does Not "Deal A Death Blow" To Affirmative Action

By Linda Florence
Post Staff Writer
The recent U.S. Supreme Court ruling in the Allan Bakke reverse discrimination suit does not "deal a death blow" to affirmative action and the civil rights movement, Vernon Jordan, National Urban League President said Friday.

While Jordan considers the decision a setback, he said that anyone who contends the ruling is "a death blow" is simply adding to the problem. Jordan, speaking to community and corporate leaders at the Radisson Plaza Hotel, was in Charlotte to assist local efforts to bring a chapter of the Urban League to Charlotte.

Jordan said he disagrees with the court in saying that Bakke had been illegally denied entrance to medical school because he is white. He said he agrees with the part of the decision which says race may be factor considered in policymaking by institutions of higher education, and that no American may be discriminated against simply and solely on account of race.

"I believe it is the duty of businessmen to continue to pursue affirmative action strongly and vigorously," Jordan said. Jordan succeeded the late Whitney Young as head of the Urban League in 1972.

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