

Wilson E. Counts
... Charlotte native

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### **Promoted To**

#### Lt. Colonel

Major Wilson E. Counts, son of Rev. and Mrs. Herman L. Counts, 1604 Patton Avenue, Charlotte, North Carolina, was recently selected for promotion to rank of Lieutenant Colonel by the United States Air Force. The Lieutenant Colonel selectee is currently assigned to Tyndall AFB, Panama City, Florida and serves as Commander of the Aerospace Defense Command NCO Professional Military Education School. The school provides Leadership and Management training to selected sergeants from Air Force units throughout the country. Counts was appointed to this position eighteen months ago by the late General Daniel "Chappie" James, the first black officer to rise to the rank of few stars and the country of the rank of four star general in the armed services.

## Drive Right To

### **Avoid Becoming**

#### A Statistic

Driving defensively is a way of life for a lot of automobile drivers.

Becoming a defensive driver could save your life. Here are some other suggestions from specialists with the NC Agricultural Extension Service to help you avoid becoming an accident statis-

Observe the speed limits. Speeding is a factor in more than one in four accidents.

Yield the right of way - even if the other driver is wrong. Failing to yield is a factor in more than one in five accidents.

Keep a safe distance from the car ahead of you. Tailgating is involved in almost one in 10 accidents. Drive during daylight hours whenever possible. The fatal-

ity rate is more than three times greater at night than in the daytime.

Don't drink and drive.

Drinking is a factor in about half of all fatal traffic accidents.

Use your seat belt. The National Safety Council says that if all passengers in cars did so, at least 12,000 lives would be saved each year.

# Awards Banquet

The annual Awards Banquet of the TALAHI (tuh-lah'hee) Cub and Boy Scout District will be held at the Armory located at Douglas Municipal Airport on West Boulevard on December 7, at 6:30 p.m.
All adults who have children

All adults who have children in scouting in this District are encouraged to attend this banquet which recognizes those people who make scouting possible. Reservations for the banquet can be made by calling Patsy Patterson at 392-4656 on or before December 1.

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