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Robinson Launches New Program

Dr. Jay Robinson, Superintendent of the Charlotte-Mecklenburg Schools, announces the school system's plans to launch a campaign "Education Is A Family Affair" to encourage more parents to become involved in the education of their child(ren).

Robinson believes that "Working together, we (parents, teachers and community) can get children to make education a high priority." He said parental involvement is important to the education of a child because parents are a child's first, most important and, in many instances, most successful teacher. Robinson agrees with a recent national report on the state of education which says, "Parents have a responsibility to participate actively in their child's education" and says that the schools should and will do more to help parents meet that responsibility.

The schools will help parents more by providing information which might be used by them in assisting with homework, having successful parent conferences and being supportive in other areas such as encouraging good attendance, good behavior and good study habits - three items Dr. Robinson emphasized as being essential to a child's success in school.

City and county governments, the Board of Education and the Charlotte-Mecklenburg Council of PTAs endorsed the campaign at a Friday morning press conference at the Education Center and several other community groups, including the Public Library, Discovery Place and the Nature Museum, are developing projects to tie into it.

The County and City issued a joint proclamation which was presented by Commission Chairman T.L. "Fountain" Odom and city councilman George Selden, representing Mayor Eddie Knox. Board of Education Chairman, Mrs. Carrier Winter, said in a resolution from the Board that the "Board of Education commands the parents of students in the Charlotte-Mecklenburg Schools for their outstanding support throughout the years and encourages them to continue their efforts to reinforce and expand upon the learning experiences that students have at school through family activities."

Mrs. Jackie Shore, PTA Council president, said the PTA has many activities such as Safety Haven and a soon to be implemented fingerprinting program which will tie into the project.

The parent awareness campaign will get underway at Festival in the Park (September 20-25) where the school system and PTA Council will have an information tent. Student art work will be on display and students from the East-West Charlotte and Garinger-Independence areas will perform.



Jacqueline Brown
....Modest about her talent

Jacqueline Brown Is Beauty Of Week

By Teresa Simmons
Post Managing Editor

When one becomes a senior in high school it often awakens that person to think about his or her future profession. For Jacqueline Brown, a 12th grader at Independence High School, her first step was to examine her tastes and talents. From there she has realized her gift evolves around others...the gift to beautify.

Involvement in several pageants. Her hobbies include swimming, dancing and fashion.

Influenced positively by Gloria Brown, our beauty finds that her mother is her favorite person. "I don't think that I have a closer friend than my mother. She is someone I can look up to...she's always there."

Ms. Brown's father is Lonnie Davis and she has six brothers and sisters.

Her favorite subject in school is math. "It is easier to me," she stated. Her concerns about current events include the haunting reality of high unemployment rates.

Ms. Brown also has a special materialistic goal which is quite unselfish. "It has always been a dream of mine to buy my mother a home."

A favorite entertainer of Ms. Brown's is not a nationally known personality but a special friend. "When I'm down my friend, Cathey, can make me happy again. She's fun to be around."

Ms. Brown would like to attend modeling school to try her hand at the business of modeling and also to enhance her fashion talents and expertise.

Born under the sign of Libra Ms. Brown is a person who gets along well with others. She is a member of a special dance group and has been in-

involved in several pageants. Her hobbies include swimming, dancing and fashion.

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During the same period, \$141,520 was disbursed to victims of crimes.

"I want to commend the judicial system," Hunt said, "for making good use of restitution as a punishment for crime. I also want to thank Mecklenburg County Clerk of Court Robert M. Blackburn for collecting and disbursing the restitution funds in a timely manner.

"Helping victims of crime has been one of my main priorities," Hunt said, "and I know of no better way to help than to make the criminal restore a victim's losses through restitution.

"We've moved restitution from last in the priorities of court-ordered fines and penalties to fourth, and I will continue to work to see it is made the first priority," Hunt said.

The data on restitution was made available by the Criminal Justice Analysis Center of the Governor's Crime Commission. The clerks of court who participate in the system send in quarterly reports on restitution.

Harvey Gantt

Meet Harvey Gantt at the Kool and Klassy Fashion Show-Disco on Sunday, September 25, at Secret's Lounge located in the Tryon Mall beginning at 7 p.m.

Fashion coordinators are Terry Straite and James Leake. The event is sponsored by Gantt for Mayor Special Projects Committee.

Admission is a donation of \$5.



Mr. James W. Crawford Sr.
....Rich example of Christian

Grace AME Zion

Crawford Dedicates Life To "Serving"

By Teresa Simmons
Post Managing Editor

It was in 1918 that James Walter Crawford Sr. decided to give his life to Christ. From that point on the members of Grace AME Zion Church would see his familiar smile regularly.

He has served as trustee, steward, usher and a member of the Willing Workers and Century Club. In 1967 he was nominated by Smith Turner III, now presiding Elder of the Charlotte District, Western North Carolina Conference, AME Zion Church, as treasurer.

In a special letter of appreciation for Crawford,

Rev. Turner expressed the following: "I was barely 29 years of age when I came to Grace Church...I observed James Crawford Sr. as a very astute Christian businessman, that was industrious and loyal to his church...Crawford served with distinction under my administration with accuracy and efficiency for over 15 years."

Church members of Grace named a day last month as the "James Walter Crawford Sr. Appreciation Day." A service was held in his honor which included family, friends and many other associates

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Bill Culp: Votes To Increase Substantially

By Karen Parker
Post Staff Writer

When asked to make a prediction of the outcome in Charlotte's primary election next week, Elections Supervisor Bill Culp Jr. stated he "wouldn't touch that with a 10-foot pole."

So the approximate 325,000 residents of the city will have to settle for their own estimations until the final and official word is out the evening of October 27. Culp stated all 88 polls in Charlotte will be open 6:30 a.m. until 7:30 p.m. The supervisor of elections since 1970, did predict 13,000-25,000 Republicans will probably turn out at the voting booths; while he expects 20,000-25,000 Democrats will come out to cast their votes.

In both parties, Culp assured the number of votes will increase substantially in the November general election. For the primary election, Culp described the thousands of expected participants as a "light to moderate participation."

According to him, since 1981, the net gain of registered voters for the Republican Party through August, 1983, is 4,216.

Democrats overwhelm that gain with a registration of 11,110 voters since that same time period. Primaries usually aren't regarded by many people as more important than the general election.

The primary ballot will have two mayoral candidates, Ed Peacock and George Selden, both Republicans. Mayor pro tem Harvey Gantt is uncontested on the Democratic ticket and therefore his name will appear only on the general election ballot.

Seven candidates will be listed for Democrat at large on the city council and five as Republicans at large. Only three seats are vacant. The Democrats are Bob Davis Jr., Ed Harris, Mary Hopper, Cam Keyser, Herbert Spaugh Jr., Willie Stratford and Bob Wilson. The Republicans are Jim Hutchinson, Rick Morton, Sue Myrick, Minette Trosch and Richard Vinroot.

In the district primaries, candidates for districts three and five will appear on the ballot. In district three the contest is between Ron Leeper and Eugene Marsh. Republican James Soukup is uncontested. District five will be a battle between Republicans John Byers and Ann Hammond. No Democrats will be vying for a seat in that district.



Robert Davis
...At-large candidate



Willie Stratford
...At-large candidate



Ron Leeper
...District 3 candidate



Eugene Marsh
...District 3 candidate

And Russians

Charlottians Share Views On Lebanon

By Angela Alston
Special To The Post

Marines in Lebanon. The destruction of a Korean jetliner by the Soviet Union. When mentioned, these are two current subjects that can draw quick and sometimes bitter response from the American people. What exactly are the feelings concerning these issues? What are the questions? And are there any answers? Four people, Lee Dunn, Patricia Carr, Sheila Simpson and Janice Martin, offered their views.

Dunn felt that the Soviets were definitely out of line in shooting the plane.

"I think they could have used another method. The plane could have been forced to land and then searched to see what was happening on board," he stated. "There was no reason to fire."



Lee Dunn feels Soviets are "definitely out of line in shooting the plane."

Carr agreed with Dunn. "No, they shouldn't have shot the plane," she said. "I mean, there should have been some other method used if the plane was downed."

"I think they knew what



Patricia Carr believes there should have been some other methods used "if the plane was in Soviet airspace."

Soviet airspace." Simpson felt that the Russians had a definite plan in mind when the Korean plane was downed.

"I think they knew what



Janice Martin thinks the Russians were trying to "show a little muscle."

they were doing. I think it was deliberate," she said fiercely. "It just is not logical to use a commercial airliner for spying purposes."

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With similar feelings, Martin gave her opinion. "The USSR cannot justify shooting that plane. Why use the plane for a spy mission? I'm quite sure the United States has better methods for spying. I think the Russians were trying to show a little muscle."

So far, Americans have shown opposition to the Soviet incident in many ways. Russian products have been boycotted and Soviet cargo ships have remained at the dock, unable to be relieved of shipments. Are these type actions enough? Is there any more to be done?

"I think we, as Americans, are reacting in a justified manner," Carr said. "Innocent people were killed and this is something that can't be

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