



The Urban League recently had open house for its Word Processing Job Training Center at BB&T. Pictured above are personnel involved in the program. From left to right they are: Edith Saxon, vice president finance and administration; Haze Moore, president of the Urban Guild; Gloria Springs, secretary/receptionist; Joan Bulger, assessment

specialist; Denise Cathey, placement representative; Bobby Miller, chairman of the board of directors; Lorene Richardson, secretary/receptionist of the Job Training Center; Madine Falls, president of the Urban League; Donald Bowen, vice president of programs and Collette Wronck, administrative assistant.

Majeed Offers New Thrust For Elected Office

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He enters the District 2 county commissioner race along with another Democratic contender, optometrist Raleigh Hynum, who announced his candidacy earlier. The district's incumbent commissioner, Bob Walton, has yet to announce whether he will seek a fifth term. Walton has

served District 2 for four consecutive terms.

Candidates for the Charlotte-Mecklenburg Board of County Commissioners can register with the Board of Elections beginning January 4.

Majeed has said the District's race should provide a good bit of debate among the candidates until the May primary.

Emphasizing the "new thrust" he believes he can bring to the office of county commissioner, Majeed says this concept is characterized by his style of leadership. "Leadership by example," he says. "Leadership that invites citizens' participation, and leadership that cares."

The candidate's campaign

manager is Isaac Heard, Sr. and his advisory committee consists of former city councilman Ron Leeper, Rev. Leon Riddick, Lem Long Jr., Sam Smith, John McDonald, Drucilla Lockhart, Christine Parks, Doris A. McLaughlin, Marvin Smith, Maxine Eaves, Leroy "Pop" Miller, J.C. Champion and Fay Jones.

Children In Celebration Of Kwanzaa

The Children's Art Program from the Afro-American Cultural Center recently presented a Kwanzaa celebration at the Strawn Apartment Center.

Kwanzaa is an African-American holiday festival that falls on the seven days from December 26 - January 1.

The Children's Art Program's young participants, entertained their audience with traditional African dances. They also presented the ceremony of Kwanzaa.

Two young people recited poetry and the event culminated with a beautiful show of African fashions.



All of the children participated the group song finale, singing "We Are Children." The audience of parents and friends was invited to sing along.

Photo by Julius Strong



The Harvest Dance is an important part of the Kwanzaa celebration. It was performed by Chinwe Olaniran, Cherrie Wright, Shellina Woods, and Kizzy Anderson.

A Welcoming Dance (Ponga) was performed by Tunbi Adefunmi, Eboni Wallace and Neketia Hunter.

Civic League Members To Serve As Role Models

Members of the Charlotte Civic League recently participated in a meeting involving Minority Achievement Program students and their parents at Ranson Junior High School. Civic League members have offered to assist students by serving as positive role models and resources for career exploration.

At the meeting, Eleanor Graves, Charlotte-Mecklenburg Schools

Minority Achievement Program Coordinator, shared with parents various ways they can be involved in the school program and their child's success. Mary Towe, Minority Achievement Program chairperson at Ranson, presented a schedule of activities for the remainder of the school year, including involvement with the Charlotte Civic League. Donald Lewis, Civic

League Program Chairperson, facilitated the introduction of those members present. Individual members will make presentations at student meetings and assist in the planning of a school career fair in May.

The Charlotte Civic League is a non-profit organization which offers its members the opportunity to actively participate in all phases of Black community life.

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Plaque is probably the biggest cause of tooth decay and eventual loss. What is it-how do we acquire it-and how do we control it?

Plaque is the sticky, practically colorless film that builds continuously on the teeth. The main inhabitants of plaque are bacteria - one milligram of plaque can contain a half-billion bacteria. Bacteria ferment sugars in the mouth (why not to eat sweets), changing them to acids which then eat away at tooth enamel. "Look, Ma - cavities."

As the plaque creeps below the gum line, it mineralizes and becomes razor - sharp deposits of tartar which is the catalyst of periodontal (or gum) disease - by far, the major cause of tooth loss in adults.

Plaque must be removed daily by "proper" brushing and the use of dental floss. Have your dentist or hygienist show you how to do it properly.

The best way, if not the only way, to remove tartar and long-established plaque is to have a professional cleaning. But, remember, it will start to reform the very next day. The only one who can remove plaque regularly is you.

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