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Sam Carr Plans Run For Council

By HERB WHITE
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Sam Carr says he knows running for city council could be a difficult task, but he's going to run against incumbent Democrat Ella Scarborough in District 3 anyway.

"I know it's going to be a challenge to run against her, but that's the American way," he said.

Carr, 44 and a former city sanitation worker, said he has about 25 percent of his campaign set, mostly in the form of a campaign committee.

"By the middle of June, I'll have another 50 percent and by the end of June, I'll have the last 25 percent," he said.

Carr, who lost to Scarborough in 1987, acknowledged the first-term councilwoman's accomplishments, but believes he can do a better job of addressing District 3's concerns.



Carr

"I think Ella Scarborough has done a tremendous job in her first term as a city councilper-

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Madans Offers Anti-Crime Plan

By HERB WHITE
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Democratic mayoral candidate Craig Madans says Charlotte's crime is often seen as someone else's problem, and for it to be attacked, that attitude must change.

"The severity of the problem is that it affects everybody," he said. "It's no longer the other guy."

In unveiling a six-point plan to combat the city's rising crime rate, much of it stemming from drug use, Madans said: "I think everything is inter-related."

"Crime includes more than drugs and drugs obviously involves more than crime. They're inter-related, but yet they're separate."

An increase in crime deserves decisive action, Madans said, but he alleges the city hasn't gotten it from Mayor Sue Myrick and mayor pro-tem Al Rousso, who is also seeking the mayor's seat.

A change at the top, he said, is needed to fight the problem.

"In large corporations that have double-digit losses, they'll bring in new people to shake things up," he said. "Charlotte's management team of the mayor and mayor pro-tem are not giving the proper direction or solutions."

Points of the plan are:
• More involvement for citizens and law enforcement to work together in reporting criminal activity through neighborhood watch programs.

• Increase citizen involvement in the police process by improving the existing 911 emergency system and citizen-based community watch systems. Saying that the city "has a tendency to neglect neighborhood input," Madans said he would stress greater citizen involvement in crime prevention.

• Implement programs to educate.

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Jackson, Leonard KO Drugs

PALM BEACH GARDENS, Fla. (AP) -- The Rev. Jesse Jackson and champion boxer Sugar Ray Leonard teamed up for a one-two punch against drug abuse.

The champion boxer, who is training for a June 12 super middleweight title bout with Tommy Hearns, and the former presidential candidate warned Palm Beach and Martin County school students against drugs in appearances last week.

"Resist drugs at all costs," Jackson told students. "We have never known a threat before of the magnitude of cocaine or heroin." He told them of visiting 60 drug-addicted newborns in hospitals. Drugs, he said, "are at best a



THE AWARENESS ART ENSEMBLE (photo right) jammed for Memorial weekend revelers at Lakeview Country Club



Photo/CALVIN FERGUSON

Sunday afternoon. Hundreds turned out for sun, fun and reggae music.

Black Teachers Back NCAE Chief

RALEIGH (AP) --- The executive board of the black caucus of the North Carolina Association of Educators voted Saturday to support the group's associate executive director, whose contract was not renewed in a contested meeting of the NCAE's board.

The black caucus executive board voted to support Frances Cummings, associate executive director, said Hiawatha Foster,

chairman of the NCAE black caucus. But the black caucus board took no action regarding NCAE executive director Thomas Husted, whose contract also was not renewed by the NCAE board.

Only 14 of the NCAE board's 24 voting members met in Raleigh May 20 when 13 of them voted against renewing contracts for

Husted and Mrs. Cummings. They voted after suspending "all policies, procedures, rules and regulations dealing with personnel."

An NCAE faction led by Karen Carr, president of the 47,000-member NCAE, filed suit in Wake County Superior Court over the meeting. They won an order to temporarily stop the

firings.

Ms. Foster said the black caucus executive board also went on record Saturday in support of initiating action to bring focus to returning the association back to its membership; asking the board of directors to unify behind the purposes and goals of the NCAE; and focusing on the healing of the organization.



Jackson

short-term pleasure and a long-term pain."

Jackson, dressed in a Michael Jordan T-shirt, blue shorts, and black Air Jordan tennis shoes, visited Leonard's camp and watched a two-hour workout. Jackson had another warning afterward: "One way to go broke is to bet against Sugar."

Black Union Soldiers Buried In S.C.

BEAUFORT, S.C. (AP) --- To the beat of muffled drums and the sound of a rifle, the remains of 19 black Union soldiers were escorted to their final resting place Monday at the Beaufort National Cemetery.

As Massachusetts Gov. Michael Dukakis and his wife Kitty looked on, an honor guard of about 50 men dressed in Union uniforms escorted the flag-covered coffins to a corner of the cemetery shaded by three giant oaks shrouded in Spanish moss.

"The black soldiers of the Massachusetts 54th and 55th regiments were fighting for their own liberty, to grasp their own freedom and to ensure both for others of their own race," Dukakis told a crowd of about 4,000. The remains, unearthed two

years ago during road construction on Folly Beach are from the Massachusetts and the 1st North Carolina infantry regiments. All were black units that fought for the North during the Civil War.

The Massachusetts regiments were the first Union regiments formed with volunteer black troops.

The remains were found in what was a Union cemetery used during the siege of Charleston. It apparently was forgotten after the war.

Dukakis and two men whose forefathers fought in the Massachusetts regiments laid a wreath in front of the coffins which were laid out in three rows.

Each coffin had a flag with 34 stars; during the service, offi-

cials from Massachusetts put small state flags next to each coffin.

Later, a group of women wearing white hats with blue ribbons put a handful of soil from Massachusetts into each grave. Two buglers echoed "Taps" and a 40-gun salute crackled in the still afternoon.

Those dressed as Union soldiers had appeared in the movie "Glory," a Civil War production about the 54th Massachusetts which recently completed filming near Savannah, Ga.

As the procession wound its way through the cemetery where thousands of American flags marked the graves, it passed a group of nine men dressed as Confederate soldiers who stood at attention.

N.C.'s First King Shrine To Be Unveiled In Raleigh

North Carolina's first public shrine honoring slain civil rights leader Martin Luther King Jr. will be announced June 15 in Raleigh.

The N.C. Martin Luther King Statue and Memorial Gardens, organized by the Raleigh-based King Celebration Committee, is expected to start construction of the \$180,000 shrine Aug. 14. The formal dedication is expected to be made Jan. 15, 1990, the fifth national holiday honoring King.

The statue and memorial will be funded through private and corporate contributions throughout the Raleigh area.

Raleigh city councilman Ralph Campbell said the memorial is intended to give North Carolinians a powerful reminder of King's life and example he set.

"The overall objective of the project is to create a perpetual climate and physical tribute to Dr. King and the many others who worked so hard and gave their lives to bringing racial and social injustices to the forefront

of American consciousness," he said. "We are very pleased with the development and support for this project which is evident here today. I am also absolutely delighted that this impressive statue and memorial gardens will be built in southeast Raleigh. This is indeed a proud and important day for all of North Carolina."

The six-foot, two inch bronze statue is being developed by internationally known sculptor Abbe Godwin of Colfax, N.C. Her best-known works are the Vietnam veterans memorial statue on the Capitol grounds in Raleigh, the Beirut memorial at Camp Lejeune and a sculpture at the N.C. School for the Blind in Greensboro.

When Godwin's work is unveiled, it will be the world's only statue that depicts King in a clerical robe.

"First, I was honored and deeply moved when contacted and asked to compete for this work. Over the past six years I have

been doing my own research and studying Dr. King and his powerful spiritual approach to nonviolent social change," she said. "I wanted to create an image of King which not only focused on his unusual gifted oratorical powers, but also his inner spiritual resolve. For the next eight months, my total life will be devoted to this incredibly important work of art."

Landscape architect Hal McNeely volunteered his servic-

es to develop the renderings for the memorial gardens. His plans call for a circular marble walkway around the statue, with park benches on the perimeter. A memorial wall bronze plates will recognize people who made significant contributions to the advancement of human rights and social justice in the state.

Trees and shrubbery will be a part of the memorial, which will be lighted at night.

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