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## Martin Wants Equal Time On Radio

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At a press conference Tuesday, District 2 city council candidate Hoyle Martin verbally attacked County Commissioner Bob Walton, City Councilman Charlie Dannelly and N.C. Senator Jim Richardson for misusing radio time.

Walton, Dannelly and Richardson recently made an appearance on WPEG FM 98's morning news program to talk about Duke Power's efforts to restore power after Hurricane Hugo devastated the city.



Dannelly

"The three elected officials were stroking each other more so than commenting on the fine work of Duke Power Company," Martin said.

Martin faces Dannelly Tuesday in the Democratic primary. It was postponed from Sept. 26 because of storm damage.

In a prepared statement, Martin said it was agreed at a Tuesday Morning Breakfast Forum meeting that one of the three officials should contact the radio station for increased coverage.

"With Murphy's approval, the trio immediately went to the station and used the opportunity to get a free political plug for Dannelly," Martin's statement read.

"Many have already expressed gratitude at the effort that Duke and its work force made to bring the city as a whole back on line."

"I want equal time," Martin said.

Dannelly dismissed Martin's charges as unfounded.

"At a time of catastrophe ... (it's) sad that someone would take such a narrow, negative view of the situation," Dannelly said. "I take serving my constituents seriously as do Commissioner Walton and Senator Richardson."

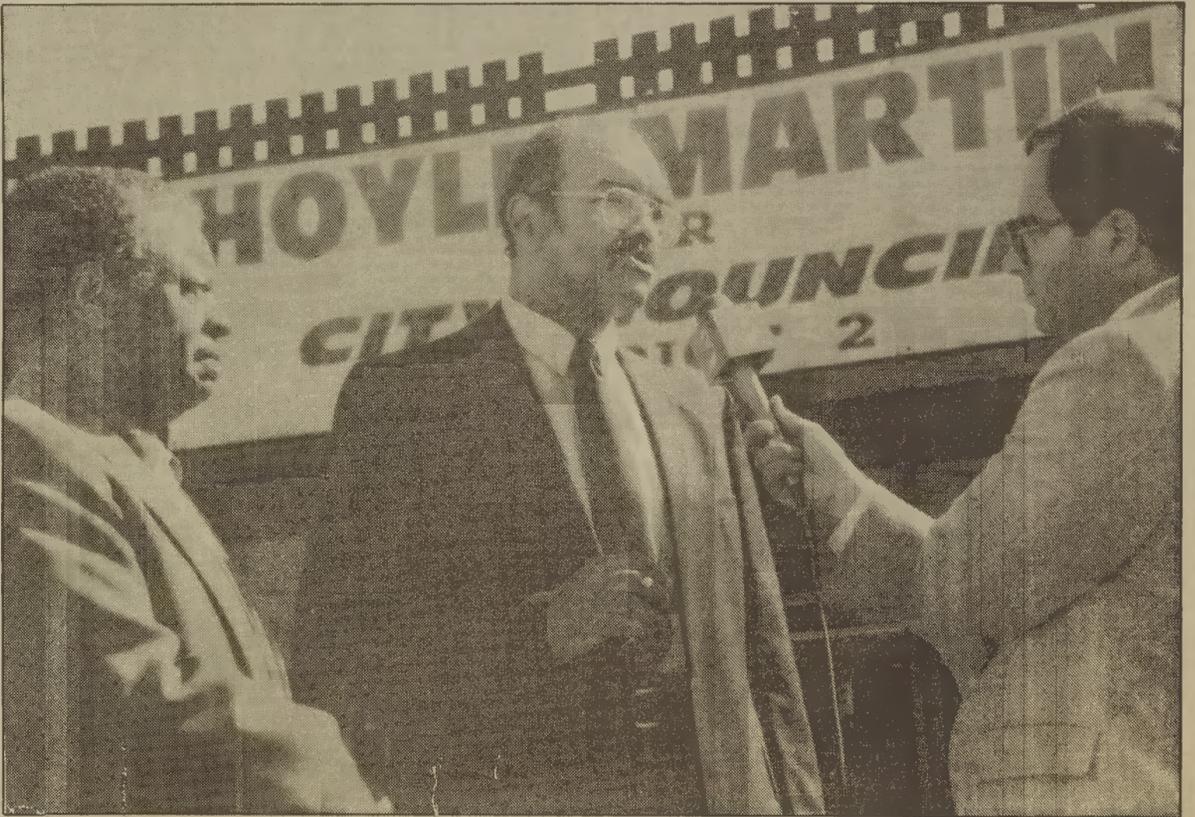
"We (as elected officials) received a lot of calls prior to that information session. It was felt that something like that was necessary. It came about as a result of a suggestion that was made during a meeting with Duke Power official Fred West."

"This is so thoughtless of my opponent, who was present when the suggestion was made initially," Dannelly said. "He didn't ask any questions at that time and he hasn't done a thing to help the constituency (west-siders)."

"Just as he hasn't done a thing to help the people of this city despite all his years of city service. As far as I'm concerned, the public response to us was very good and that's sufficient justification for what we were doing."

Walton sees the question of equal time as a crucial point that must be clarified.

"We are elected officials with



Hoyle Martin, center, and his campaign manager Dewitt Reid, left, answer questions from a local TV reporter Tuesday

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## Bakker Supporters Say "Treat Him Fairly"

By WINFRED CROSS  
Post Staff Writer

When a Christian brother has fallen, you give him support, not criticism, said Deanna Smith, president and founder of the International Christian Women's Fellowship.

That's why Smith, some friends and members of the ICWF, an outreach ministry, travelled from Florida to Charlotte recently. They said former PTL leader Jim Bakker, on trial for 23 counts of fraud and one count of conspiracy, is still part of the body of Christ (the Christian church) and needs support.

"We sat back as long as we could. But when we saw them take him out of the court room that day, then we saw we had to put our faith into action because no one was doing anything," Smith said.

Smith was referring to the day Bakker suffered a nervous breakdown and was led handcuffed from the U.S. Federal courthouse on West Trade Street. He was taken to Butner Hospital outside of Durham for psychiatric evaluation, postponing his trial for a week.

"When he broke down the world should not have been surprised. He's human and anyone can buckle under pressure," Smith said. "Jesus fell under the cross. That represents pressure. Are we any better than Him?"

At press time, the jury had begun deliberating Bakker's fate. If convicted, Bakker could face a fine of up to \$5 million and up to 120 years in prison.

According to Smith, the issue is not whether Bakker is innocent or guilty, but that Christians need to support each other in times of need.

"At this point it doesn't matter. He repented. He asked for forgiveness. We have a knowledge along with Jim Bakker that he



Ruth Plummer, Patricia Plummer and Ivey Van sing praises for Jim Bakker

did make some mistakes. We know the Lord chastise his own and what's right he will repay," Smith said. Let the strong bear the infirmities of the weak. What I want to know is where are the strong?"

The strong Smith referred to are the ministers and TV evangelists that she said have abandoned Bakker. She sent a letter to such evangelists as Oral Roberts, Jimmy Swaggart, Pat Robinson, Kenneth Copeland and Robert Tilton. She said she got little, if any, response.

"(It's) because of greed. It's because of fear. They are afraid of losing their following," Smith

said. "If they have fear then they don't have faith in God."

"They preach love. They preach healing, yet they are still living in fear. They won't come out of the closet," Smith said.

Smith and her members sang songs of praise, and passed out ribbons that read "Enough is enough. Let mercy and justice prevail for Jim and Tammy." They also circulated a petition that will be sent to Attorney General Richard Thornburgh in case Bakker is found guilty.

"We plan to go all the way to Washington, whatever it takes,"

Smith said.

The ICWF was founded in 1984 by Smith, who is an evangelist. The organization is based in Oviedo, Fla. and is made up of Christian women from all denominations. Smith said the organization feeds the hungry, clothes the needy, has street and prison ministries and drug and alcohol counselling.

"Everything that Jesus did, that's what we're about," Smith said.

Smith's husband is president of the International Christian Men's Fellowship.

## Greekfest Riot To Be Studied

The Associated Press

VIRGINIA BEACH, Va. (AP) — Two black students, a retired FBI agent and two former congressmen are among the members of a commission named by City Council to study Greekfest rioting over the Labor Day weekend.

The 17-member commission, which is expected to hold a series of public hearings, also will make recommendations for dealing with the expected return of thousands of black students next Labor Day.

"We simply asked them to review what happened this year and make recommendations for next year," Mayor Meyera Oberndorf said Monday in announcing the makeup of the panel.

Members of City Council unanimously approved the members of the commission, which was given no formal charge and no firm deadline to make its report.

"We wanted to give them a chance to set their own guidelines," Ms. Oberndorf said.

The Justice Department and the Senate Armed Services Committee also are investigating the two nights of rioting and looting that resulted in 158 arrests and \$1.8 million in damage to the resort strip.

Police and students have accused each other of provoking the violence and black leaders have accused the city of racism.

The Greekfest end-of-summer revelry has attracted thousands of students, most from predominantly black colleges in the East, for the past several years.

Members of the commission are former Reps. Thomas N. Downing, D-1st, and G. William Whitehurst, R-2nd; Frederickburg Mayor Lawrence A. Davies; Norfolk State University President Harrison B. Wilson; retired FBI agent Jack Wagner; Dr. E.E. Brickell, former superintendent of schools in Virginia Beach and chairman of the commission; Fred Napolitano, president of the Hampton Roads

Chamber of Commerce; James Capps, president of the Virginia Beach Hotel-Motel Association; Dr. Mark L. Chadwin, president of the Urban League of Hampton Roads; Andrew Fine, president of Runnymede Corp; Virginia Beach lawyer Thomas R. Frantz; James A. Daniels, assistant principal of Azalea Gardens Middle School in Norfolk; Janet Ballard, alumni affairs director for Virginia Union University; Wanda Relly, student body president at Hampton University; student Darnell Miller, president of the Pan Hellenic Council at Old Dominion University; Dr. Susan Sadler, a psychologist; and Joan John, a Virginia Beach homemaker.



## Habitat In Town

Habitat For Humanity will be building five houses in 24 hours on October 14. Hugo has slowed down the mailing of invitations for the "Raising The Roof" party, the Habitat Charlotte celebration on the evening of October 14 at One First Union Lobby. Twenty restaurants will supply tastes of Charlotte. Wine, beer and Pepsi will be available. Three bands - Jim Brock and The Montuno Jazz Orchestra, Smitty Flynn and The Riveras, and Maria Howell and The 7th Street Band -- will provide music for the evening.

If you are interested in attending, please call the Habitat Office at 376-2054 or come that evening. Checks will be accepted at the door for admittance. All "Raise The Roof" events on Saturday, October 14, will be held as scheduled.

## Maynard Jackson Becomes Mayor Of Atlanta Once Again

Associated Press

Former Atlanta Mayor Maynard Jackson recaptured the job he reluctantly left eight years ago, while Mississippi's attorney general was shocked by two lesser-known candidates in a special congressional election.

In Cleveland, voters took the first steps Tuesday toward replacing popular Mayor George Voinovich, who is stepping aside

to seek the Republican nomination for governor. The city council president and a state senator took the top two places in a mayoral primary, boosting them into the Nov. 7 general election.

Phoenix re-elected its incumbent Democratic Mayor Terry Goddard but rejected the downtown baseball stadium he wanted. And Albuquerque, N.M., Mayor Ken Schultz lost his bid

to become the first mayor to be elected to back-to-back terms since the city switched to a mayor-council form of government 15 years ago.

In Atlanta, Jackson overwhelmed City Councilman Hosea Williams and four little-known candidates to recapture the job he relinquished to Andrew Young in 1982. The law prohibited both men from seek-

ing a third consecutive term, and Young is weighing a race for governor next year.

"Tonight, Atlanta has given me a mandate. A mandate to fulfill the promise of our great city," Jackson told about 2,500 cheering supporters. "The future of Atlanta began tonight. A city whose heart is stronger and whose mind is sharper begins tonight."

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