

# South Brunswick's Parker Wins ACT-SO As Militant Malcolm X

BY TERRY POPE

Malcolm X, a militant black leader assassinated in 1965, was in Leland Saturday night.

Dressed in black horn-rimmed glasses and a black suit, South Brunswick High School senior Ralph Parker Jr. shook his finger and pounded the lectern while calling for a revolution.

It was Parker's re-enactment of a Chicago speech delivered by Malcolm X that impressed the judges at the 12th annual Martin Luther King Jr. ACT-SO competition at Leland Middle School.

The son of Mr. and Mrs. Ralph H. Parker Sr. of Southport, Parker will receive a \$500 scholarship awarded by the Brunswick County ACT-SO Committee and the Brunswick County branches of the National Association for the Advancement of Colored People (NAACP). He will also travel to Texas for national competition this summer at the NAACP national convention.

Parker plans to attend UNC-Charlotte this fall.

ACT-SO stands for Afro Academic Cultural Technological Scientific Olympics, a program through which black youths are guided toward excellence in their academic and cultural goals with the support of the community.

Stacey A. Hill, a junior at West Brunswick High School, won a \$100 savings bond for taking first place in the non-performing category with her pastel painting. She is the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Elbert Johnson of Supply.

Other winners in the non-performing competition were Terry Gause, a sophomore at West Brunswick and son of Mr. and Mrs. Lendred Gause of Shallotte, second place, and Reggie Frink, a freshman at West Brunswick and son of Mr. and Mrs. George R. Frink of Ash, third place.

Melody Gause, a junior at West Brunswick and daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Camell Stanley of Shallotte, won a \$100 savings bond for taking first place in the performing category.



WINNERS IN THE 1991 ACT-SO competition are (from left) Terry Gause, third place, non-performing; Vicky Randolph, second place, performing; Stacey Hill, first place, non-performing; Melody Gause, first place, performing; Ralph Parker Jr., overall winner; and Reggie Frink, third place, non-performing.



RALPH PARKER JR. portrays militant black leader Malcolm X. As over-all winner he received a \$500 scholarship.

Other winners who performed were Vickie Ann Randolph, a junior at South Brunswick and daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Harold Randolph of Bolivia, second place, and Patricia L. Law, a junior at South Brunswick and daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Michael Stringfield of Bolivia, third place.

ACT-SO is the brainchild of a black Chicago news reporter, Vernon Jarrett, who developed the program 18 years ago to reward African American youths for their per-

formance in the classroom, similar to the awards athletes receive for sports.

"We are not knocking athletics by any means, because athletic competition goes a long way in developing character and team play," said Perita Price, local ACT-SO publicity chairperson. "However, only a few of the superjocks in high school can realistically expect to become Michael Jordans or Bo Jacksons."

Others competing in the contest

were: Crystal D. Eagles, a senior at South Brunswick and daughter of Mrs. Cheryl Stevenson; Anquetette Linell Bounsell, a senior at South Brunswick and daughter of Ms. Evangeline Bounsell; Rona Denise Martin, a sophomore at North Brunswick and daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Samuel Marin; Lakita Robinson, a senior at North Brunswick and daughter of Ms. Helen Beatty; Shirley Ann Bland, a senior at West Brunswick and daughter of Ms. Thelma Bernard;

Also, Michelle Linese Johnson, a senior at West Brunswick and daughter of Ms. Betty B. Johnson; Okeiya Wynette Hewett, a junior at West Brunswick and daughter of the Rev. and Mrs. Gregory Hewett; Rickie Randall, a senior at West Brunswick and son of Ms. Gracie Randall; Edward Lemorris Stanley, a sophomore at West Brunswick and son of Mr. and Mrs. Edward Stanley; and Stacey Woodard, a senior at West Brunswick and daughter of Mr. and Mrs. William E. Woodard.

## Book Sale Will Benefit County Literacy Council

Books and plants will be offered at the Brunswick County Literacy Council's first book sale Saturday, May 11.

The sale will be held from 10 a.m. to 4 p.m. at three locations: beside Food Lion in Shallotte; Wilson's in Southport and Revco Drugs in Leland.

A varied selection of new and used books and some plants will be offered at reasonable prices, said Gladys Wagenseil, program coordinator. "These include good choices for summertime reading or a Mother's Day remembrance," she said.

Proceeds will help the non-profit Literacy Council maintain its program of providing free, one-on-one tutoring for adults who wish to improve their reading and writing skills.

For more information, call BCLC at 754-7323.

## 4-H Fashion Revue Winners Receive Camp Scholarships

Top winners in the April 18 Brunswick County 4-H Fashion Revue received scholarships to 4-H specialty camps.

Rachel Turner, senior teen division winner and blue ribbon ribbon award winner, received a trophy and a 4-H clothing camp scholarship for state competition at Betsey-Jeff Penn 4-H Camp at Reidsville May 3-4.

Amanda Scoggins, over-all winner for early-teen division, and Abigail Larson, over-all winner pre-teen division, received blue ribbon

awards and a 4-H camp scholarship.

The revue was held in the teaching auditorium at Brunswick Community College, with Michelle Sellers, a 4-H member-at-large, serving as narrator and pianist.

Other recognition received by participants was as follows:

Partners in Learning (ages 6-8): Jo Anna Hatch and Tina Long, green participation ribbons.

Pre-teen (ages 9-10): Misti Lynn Gore, Abigail Larson, Heidi Layman and Kristy Collette, blue; Sarah Formyduval, Karen Kelly, Cryst-

al Shaver, Stephanie Ganey and Jessica Jones, red.

Early-teen (ages 11-13): Amanda Scoggins, Lisa Golding and Erica Watts, blue.

Senior-teen (ages 14-19): Beverly Golding, Chris Conner and Rachel Turner, blue.

Judges for construction of clothing were Dorothy Hankins, a retired home economics teacher and homemaker, and Marjorie Stuckey, a retired home economics teacher and member of the Oak Island Extension Homemakers Club.

Judges for appearance, appropriateness of design, fit and color were Pat Nash, member of the Supply Extension Homemakers Club, and Pam Hankins of Brunswick Electric Membership Corp.

Other participants included Billy Privette, extension agent for 4-H; Chris Conner, convener; and Kim Mays, who led in pledges to the American and 4-H flags, of Lakeside 4-H Club. Jeanette Golding of Sea Turtles 4-H Club entertained with the song, Lost In Your Eyes by Debbie Gibson.

## Teens Can Apply For Summer Jobs

The YWCA is taking applications for the JTPA summer youth program in Brunswick County.

Young people ages 14 through 21 are placed in jobs with non-profit employers. They earn \$4.25 per hour and work no more than 32 hours per week.

Applications for the program are available from high school and middle school guidance counselors, the Employment Security Commission or the YWCA local office located in the rear of Bolivia Town Hall.

For more information call Diane Hewett, 253-4614, or Doris Boone, 762-7886.

## Retirement Party Given

A retirement party for Minor Hewett, who recently retired from the Shallotte Rescue Squad, was given at the home of Donnie McCall by Mrs. McCall, Ethel Hewett, Vivian Holden, Geneva Hewett and Phillip and Carolyn Stout.

Others attending the party were:

Janice Hargis	Dan & Catherin	Timmy & Ginny
Tony Yenny	Norman	Hewett
Elbert Gore	Vivian Powell	Ronnie & Bonita
Peggy & Bo Ellis	Carolyn Gaffney	Hernandez
Patti Hewett	Effie Evans	Edna Lewis
Harold & Darnella	Betty & Henry	Fay Lewis
Evans	Carter	Gracie Hewett
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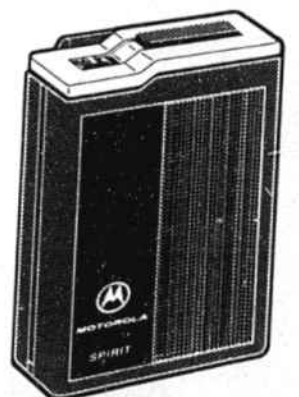
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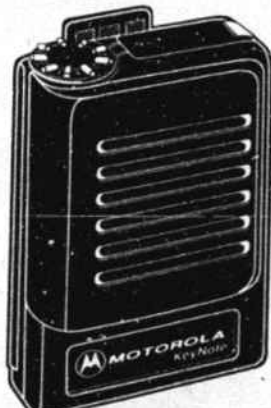
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