

CALENDAR OF EVENTS

SUPPORT GROUP

The Brain Tumor Support Group will meet at Raleigh Community Hospital, 3400 Wake Forest Road, on Tuesday, Aug. 23, from 7:30-9 p.m. Patients and families welcome. For more information call 876-1856.

WOODCARVING CLASS

The Golden Years Association of the Raleigh Parks and Recreation Department is offering a woodcarving class for seniors. Class begins Sept. 1 and runs for eight weeks. Contact Steve White, 755-6640.

WINNIE-THE-POOH RETURNS

"Winnie-the-Pooh and the Golden Rocket" has returned to the Morehead Planetarium at the University of North Carolina at Chapel Hill. The children's program is playing Thursdays and Fridays at 11 a.m. in the planetarium's Star Theater through Sept. 2. The show focuses on Pooh and his woodland friends building a rocket and blasting off to Mars. During their adventure they learn about planets, constellations and even weightlessness when Pooh goes in search of a honey snack. Admission is \$2 for children aged 11 and under, \$2.50 for students and senior citizens, and \$3 for other adults. For show times and other admission rates, call 1-962-1248. For more information, contact Casey Wells at 1-962-1236.

NCSU FALL WORKSHOPS

Always wanted to learn to sail through the air in a beautiful swan dive? Or pick out a tune on the guitar? Perhaps you need help in communicating with your spouse or overcoming math anxiety. North Carolina State University's Division for Lifelong Education has something for you and for many others with diverse interests in its fall General Interest Courses.

Most courses are held in the evenings at NCSU's McKimmon Center. Courses begin in September, and participants must register at least one week prior to the first class day.

Registration and information booklets can be obtained by calling the NCSU Division for Lifelong Education, 737-2265.

HISTORY SERIES

The Golden Years Association of Raleigh Parks and Recreation Department is sponsoring a free North Carolina history series Sept. 8-29. Registration deadline is Sept. 5.

Contact Steve White, 755-6640.

SMOKING CESSATION CLASS

The YMCA of Raleigh will be conducting a smoking cessation class (A Fresh Start) Sept. 6-22. The class will meet Tuesday and Thursday nights from 7:30-8:30 p.m. For more information contact the Adult Program Office at 832-9386. Cost is \$15 (payment and registration due at least one week prior to class date).

SAVE YOUR VISION

More than two million Americans have glaucoma, and one million don't even know it. Don't be in the dark... call a friend and sign up for a free glaucoma and cataract community eye screening to be held in Louisburg on Friday, Sept. 9, at the National Guard Armory, and in Raleigh on Saturday, Sept. 10, at the new Carolina Eye Center.

To register, call SightLine at 1-800-227-5189.

ANCIENT EVOCATIONS

The re-creation of ancient ideas in new and meaningful ways is the subject of a coming exhibition, "Ancient Evocations," at Green Hill Center for North Carolina Art. The exhibition will open Sept. 10 and remain on view through Oct. 29.

Ten North Carolina artists whose work reflects a kinship with artists, ideas, or forms of the past were chosen for "Ancient Evocations" by Green Hill Center's Curator of Exhibitions, Lynda Moss. "The theme of this show is the recovery of ancient or archetypal images and symbols in contemporary art works," says Moss. "This relationship with the past is not always directly identifiable; there may be meanings which are sensed, if not seen."

An opening reception to meet the artists is planned for Friday, Sept. 9, from 7-9 p.m. Regular gallery hours are Monday-Friday 10 a.m.-5 p.m., Saturday 11 a.m.-5 p.m., closed Sundays. Green Hill Center's interim location is at Greensborough Court, 327 S. Elm St., downtown Greensboro.

For more information, call 1-373-0478.

FIRST AID COURSE

The YWCA of Raleigh will be conducting a standard first aid course. American Red Cross certification is available upon successful completion. Beginning Sept. 12 and ending Sept. 21 on Monday and Wednesday evenings from 8-10 p.m. For more information contact the Adult Program Office at 832-9386. Cost is \$20, due with registration at least one week prior to class date.

HUD Secretary Tells Of Desegregation Options

Secretary of Housing and Urban Development Samuel R. Pierce, Jr., announced a package of special voluntary options that public housing authorities may use to assist in the desegregation of their projects.

Developed between HUD's Office of Fair Housing and Equal Opportunity and the Civil Rights Division of the Department of Justice, these options allow PHAs to take positive action on their own to improve living patterns in their projects without the use of race-preferential tenant selection and assignment plans or the use of racial maintenance quotas. The options offer guidance to tenant selection, tenant assignment, tenant transfers, tenant support systems and desegregation.

Previously, PHAs that were aware of past practices of segregation had no guidance from the federal government on ways that they could modify these practices unless they officially had been notified that they were in violation of Title VI of the Civil Rights Act of 1964. This act prohibits discrimination—based on race, color, or national origin—in all programs or activities that receive federal financial assistance.

While any of the options is permissible on a voluntary basis, the appropriateness of a given action will

always depend on the particular situation at a PHA. Therefore, every PHA is being urged to begin an assessment of its policies with the view toward identifying any situations where voluntary actions to eliminate racial segregation are warranted.

Shortly, the option packages will be distributed to PHA constituent organizations with which HUD officials will meet and request their assistance and support in distributing the packages to PHAs and explaining how they can best be used to address segregation.

In FY 1989, HUD will begin implementation of a Public Housing Affirmative Compliance Agreement program which will provide technical assistance to PHAs on how to use measures such as these. This assistance will be provided through contracts with outside groups who will work directly with the PHAs. Also, HUD will develop voluntary assessment instruments for the use of all PHAs and will provide technical assistance on how to perform such assessments. Together with a new expanded compliance program, HUD believes it will substantially improve efforts to eradicate discrimination in public housing.

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Chicago, Deborah Jackson from New York and African-American media specialists Linda Kay Brown, Phil Jones, Lamont Gonzalez, and Annette Lawrence.

The central objectives of the 18-day trip are to engage in a fact-finding mission; to learn firsthand the reality of the situation in Angola today, particularly the effect of South Africa's continued invasion of Angolan territory; to investigate some of the atrocities committed against the people of Angola by South Africa's surrogate, UNITA, led by Jonas Savimbi; to strengthen the relationship between the churches of Angola and African-American churches in the United States; to conduct

a mission of good will and to help improve the relationship between the people of Angola and the people of the United States; and to observe the progress and development of the Angolan economy, culture and society.

It is our intention, when we return to the United States, to share our experiences and our learnings with as many people as possible. We are thankful to the government of Angola for providing the opportunity for this trip. Yet, it is our responsibility to make sure that more of the truth of Angola's reality gets back to our communities. The best weapon against oppression is to expose it with the truth.

To Insure One Black Candidate "Black Only" Convention Suggested

CHICAGO, Ill. (AP)—To ensure that only one black candidate runs for mayor next spring, some black leaders are trying to organize a pair of local political conventions open only to blacks to choose their favorite candidate.

"White people remain true to their people first," said Lu Palmer, chairman of the Black Independent Political Organization and a driving force behind the plan. "We, as black people, should think of black people first."

Palmer said that race should be the overriding issue for black voters in next spring's mayoral election to choose a successor to Harold Washington, the city's first black mayor, who died of a heart attack in November 1987.

The winner of that election will fill the remaining two years in Washington's term, but several black leaders, including acting Mayor Eugene Sawyer, are planning to run

for the post. If that happens, Palmer said he fears a single white candidate would win easily.

"Politically, economically, socially... nothing in the city or the country matters as much as race," he said at a news conference to announce plans for the conventions.

The first blacks-only political convention would be held Aug. 27 and allow representatives of black churches and other organizations to hear from all "serious" black candidates, he said.

Later, the delegates would poll their organizations and vote at the second convention in late September to choose a nominee from the black community. Palmer said each black candidate would be asked to sign a pledge that he would abide by the results.

But Sawyer, who was elected by the City Council with white support last

December to serve until next year's special election, said he has not decided whether to attend the conventions. And he questioned the concept of an all-black selection process.

"Due to the fact that we're making an effort to make this one [united] Chicago, I'm not sure that it's a good idea," he said.

Alderman Timothy Evans, considered Sawyer's chief rival in the mayoral contest, also is trying to keep his distance from Palmer's plan.

Supporters of Evans said the conventions could be rigged for yet another potential black candidate, Alderman Danny Davis.

Davis said he would participate in the conventions, although he said he would prefer the conventions would be open to "the entire progressive community."

"We know that race and ethnicity have long undergirded politics in Chicago," Davis said. "But I hope and desire to try and help Chicago move beyond the politics of race."

Gov. Martin Tells Of Monies To Combat NC Poverty

Gov. Jim Martin has announced that 43 Community Action and Limited Purpose agencies across the state will share almost \$1 million for programs to combat poverty.

Gov. Martin has approved allocation of \$953,805 in state funds to support the Community Action Partnership Program. The grants, ranging from \$4,063 to \$70,396, will enable local anti-poverty agencies to assist low-income persons with employment, housing, education, emergency assistance, debt management, energy conservation, nutrition and transportation.

The Community Action Partnership Program complements the

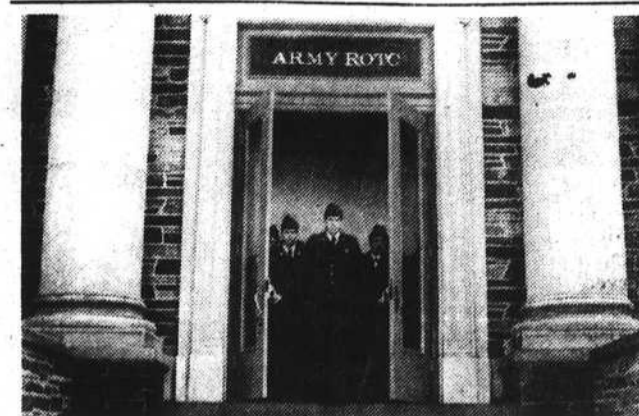
federal Community Services Block Grant Program, whose major purpose is to provide services and activities to deal with poverty in local communities.

The funds will be dispensed through the Division of Economic Opportunity in the North Carolina Department of Natural Resources and Community Development.

Wake County Opportunities received \$33,319.

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