

CALENDAR OF EVENTS

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DURHAM RAPE CRISIS CENTER

The Durham Rape Crisis Center will begin fall training for new volunteers in mid-September. Training consists of crisis intervention skills, hospital, police and court information, victim advocacy, working with adult and child victims and much more. The training will run for 56 hours with some Saturday sessions. No prior experience is necessary. The center seeks volunteers with a genuine interest in helping victims. There is no charge for the training but volunteers must join the YWCA (\$15). Anyone interested in volunteering should contact the director, Sian McLean, at 1-688-4396 by Sept. 15 for a pre-training discussion. Minorities and men are especially encouraged to volunteer.

SEPARATION AND DIVORCE

Wake County Community Schools and the Women's Center is offering a course this fall that will summarize the issues of separation and divorce in North Carolina. The course will cover child custody, support and visitation, as well as equitable distribution of marital properties. The course will be held at Garner Senior High School on Wednesday, Sept. 14, from 6:30-9:30 p.m. and the cost is only \$2. For more information call Community Schools at 790-2434.

SHOOT THE HOOPS

Wake County Community Schools and Raleigh Parks and Recreation will again be offering Men's Open Play basketball program. This is the answer for men who enjoy basketball but cannot commit to joining a team. The basketball program will be offered at Carroll Middle School Wednesdays, Sept. 14-Dec. 7, from 7:45-9:30 p.m., at Martin Middle School Tuesdays from Sept. 13-Dec. 6, from 7:15-9:15 p.m.; and also Thursdays, Sept. 15-Dec. 8, at the same time.

The cost is \$17. For information on how to register, call Community Schools at 780-2434.

MAKE YOUR OWN KIND OF MUSIC

Wake County Community Schools invites you to make your own kind of music in courses in "Drums: Beginning and Intermediate" and "Trumpet: Beginning." The courses are designed for students in grades 5-12 and adults and each cost only \$25. Both courses are held at Enloe High School and the dates are Thursdays, Sept. 15-Nov. 17, from 7-9 p.m. for drums and Tuesdays, Sept. 13-Nov. 15, from 7-9 p.m. for trumpet.

For more information on how you can register for "Drums" or "Trumpet," call 790-2434, or go by any Wake County public school or library and pick up a Community Schools catalog of courses.

FILM EXHIBITION, CONCERT

The North Carolina Museum of Art will present films and a concert in conjunction with the exhibition, "Kaleidoscope: Pattern in Art," on view Sept. 15 through June 25, 1989.

Musical performers Jacqueline Culpepper and John Ferguson will present a concert called "American Kaleidoscope: Rhythms and Patterns in Music," at 3 p.m. on Sunday, Oct. 2. The concert will explore patterns in harmony, melody and rhythms of ragtime, jazz and contemporary American music. Admission to the concert is free.

At 3 p.m. on Sunday, Oct. 23, the museum will present an hour-long series of film shorts on pattern and rhythm. Films to be shown are "Kinetic Sculpture of Gordon Barlow," which documents the moving art of the toy designer; "Circles II," which introduces kinetic sculpture and choreography by Doris Chase; "Seeing Rhythm," which compares musical and visual rhythms; "Rhythm and Movement in Art," which focuses on rhythm in ancient art and contemporary architecture; and "Sonambients: The Sound of Sculpture of Harry Bertoia," which documents Bertoia's practice of using sounds and images to relate art to nature. Admission to the films is free.

For more information about the programs or the exhibition, call the museum at 833-1935, Ext. 143.

CPR CLASSES

The Raleigh YMCA will conduct a class in adult cardiopulmonary resuscitation. American Red Cross certification available upon successful completion. The class will meet Saturday, Sept. 17, from 9 a.m. to 4 p.m. The class will be held at the Raleigh YMCA at 1601 Hillsborough St. For further information, contact the program office at 832-9386. Cost is \$20, due with registration one week prior to class date.

Poverty Rate Up For Blacks Reports Census

The real median income of black families was \$18,100 in 1987, according to the Department of Commerce's Census Bureau.

This figure is not statistically different from the 1986 median of \$18,250 after adjustment for a 3.7 percent increase in consumer prices.

The median income of white families increased by 1.1 percent, to \$32,270, while that of Hispanic families, at \$20,310, did not show a statistically significant change.

The ratios of black to white and Hispanic to white family incomes were 56 percent and 63 percent, respectively. Neither showed a statistically significant change from their 1986 levels.

The median income of black married-couple families was \$27,180 in 1987, compared with \$35,300 for white and \$24,680 for Hispanic families. The black-to-white and Hispanic-to-white married couple income ratios were 77 percent and 70 percent, respectively. Neither showed a statistically significant change from 1986.

Among families with a female householder, no husband present, the median incomes were \$9,710 for blacks, \$17,020 for whites, and \$9,810 for Hispanics.

The apparent difference between median incomes for blacks and Hispanics was not statistically significant.

Per-capita income of blacks was \$7,500, not a statistically significant change from 1986 in real terms, while those of whites and Hispanics were \$13,630 and \$7,610, both higher than their 1986 levels.

The number of black persons below the official government poverty level was 9.7 million in 1987, an increase from 9.0 million in 1986. The poverty rate was 33.1 percent, an increase from 31.1 percent.

The white population living below the poverty level in 1987 totaled 21.4 million, not a statistically significant change from 1986. The poverty rate among whites, however, was 10.5 percent, a decrease from 11.0 percent.

Communication Seen As A Key To Real Success

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WINNING COMMUNICATION

Effective communication is the key to effective living. Yet, few people have been taught how to communicate. If you tried to pilot an airplane without first learning the rules you would make serious mistakes. Likewise, communication has its rules, and if you don't know them you will probably get into trouble.

Communication means getting your message across to another person so that the person gets the exact message you are sending. Communication often fails because the other person is not ready or willing to receive the message.

If you talk to a person when their attention is somewhere else, for the purpose of communication that person is not there. Since they are not there, no communication takes place no matter how much you talk. So rule number one in communication is BE THERE—give your full attention to the other person.

Perhaps you have tried to tell a person something, but they cut you off with an answer or objection before you finished. That person was not willing to be a receiver. In order to communicate, people must take turns being senders and receivers. Even if your message is clear, if the other person is unwilling to receive it, no communication will take place. So rule number two is TAKE TURNS BEING THERE AS A SENDER AND AS A RECEIVER.

To improve your own communication skills, practice the following:

1. Be there and give your full attention to the other person.
2. Be willing to be a sender and intend to get your message across.
3. Be willing to receive and give full attention to receiving until the sender has finished.

Teacher Terry Weeks Addresses Annual Event

GREENVILLE—The 1988 National Teacher of the Year will be the featured speaker at a program saluting public school teachers Sept. 8 at 7 p.m. in the Nursing School Auditorium at East Carolina University.

Terry Weeks of Murfreesboro, Tenn., will address the first annual Salute to Excellence in Teaching program. His presentation, "The Teacher as Leader: Planning for Excellence in Instruction," is sponsored by the Middle School Leadership Academy and the ECU School of Education.

Weeks, 37, is a seventh grade social studies teacher at Central Middle School. He credits his decision to become a teacher to the influence of his teachers at a tiny K-12 school he attended.

"Thanks to their dedicated efforts, I have been introduced to the wonders of the universe, and have developed a belief that I could achieve dreams," Weeks said.

He said his teachers gave him a



COMPLETES BASICS—Salathiel Allen Mack, son of Ms. Louvenia E. Mack and Willie Mack of Raleigh completed basic training in the Navy after graduating from Broughton High School. He went to school at Aviation Ordinance in Millington, Tenn. He is now in San Francisco, Calif. aboard the USS Belleau Wood.

Four Wake Tech Students Pass Welding Exam

Four students of the Practical Welding program at Wake Technical Community College recently passed the American Welding Society certification examination.

The certification exam conducted at Wake Tech's Testing Center by the American Welding Society enables welders to earn higher salaries and receive better jobs, according to Terry Williams, Practical Welding department head.

All government jobs, nuclear construction and most private construction companies require certified welders, he added.

Receiving certification are Steve Green of Garner; Charles Grissom of Raleigh; Jimmy Tipton of Apex; and Macon Tunstall of Durham.

Green, Grissom and Tunstall are all 1988 graduates of Wake Tech's Practical Welding certificate program.

good self-image and that he hopes to have a similar impact on the lives of others.

Weeks was chosen for the National Teacher of the Year award last spring. He was honored at a White House ceremony in April in which President Reagan presented him a crystal apple, the traditional symbol of teaching.

His presentation at ECU is free and open to the public.

Alleged Racist Attack Leads To New Hotline

SAN JOSE, Calif. (AP)—An attack on a black woman by white supremacists in a city park has resulted in a pioneering anti-hate hotline to help those victimized by racism or prejudice.

Two minutes after the phone line was plugged in last Monday, the first call came in from a gay beaten in a "gay bashing" incident in May. He wanted to know whether the service would help other gay men and lesbians, said coordinator Norma Menacci. The answer was yes.

Another call came from an Asian woman who said her 12-year-old son found racial epithets on his locker and was attacked by Hispanic youths.

"If they have been victimized, we'll call the police to go with them if they are uncomfortable doing it," said Menacci, who believes the hotline she helped establish may be the first such service in the nation.

The line, which was advertised in spot radio announcements, is open 24 hours a day, and has received 25 calls since Monday, including some from prospective volunteers. One call fielded last Tuesday by volunteer Olga Nelson came from a warehouse worker who said he was being called anti-Semitic names on the job. His boss had failed to stop the harassment, he told Nelson, a Nicaraguan refugee, who will staff the line for two hours each Tuesday.

Non-emergency calls such as this are handled the following day after a group discussion. In the case of the Asian mother whose child was harassed, Menacci suggested a session be set up at the child's school to educate students about racism.

The line grew out of an incident last year in which a black woman walking through a city park was accosted by a group of whites who called her racist names. After the attack, a handful of San Jose residents held a demonstration against racism and began working with Santa Clara County's Human Relations Commission in setting up

the hotline. The \$2,000 it took to train the volunteers and buy phones was raised by a non-profit group called Friends of Human Relations.

"The community decided to get together and decide how to diminish this type of activity. It was determined at first to call it the 'anti-racism hotline,' but they realized there is violence against people for race, religion, sexual preference and ethnicity," said Trudy Kilian, a consultant in the county's Office of Human Relations, where 10 volunteers take turns manning the phone during business hours. Overnight and weekend calls are routed to the volunteers at a local crisis line.

"All that we know is that we've been getting more and more material about the number of hate crimes across the country, as well as some that have taken place here," Menacci said.

"Some of them hadn't hit the headlines. Our feeling was that once the black woman hit the headlines, it was time to move. We still don't know whether we'll get a lot of calls or very few. I hope we'll get them," she said.

The volunteers among them speak Spanish.

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