

CALENDAR OF EVENTS

RLT HOLDS AUDITIONS

The Raleigh Little Theatre will hold auditions for Larry Shue's comedy, "The Nerd," on July 31 and Aug. 1 at 7:30 p.m. at the Pogue Street theater. Directed by Haskell Fitz-Simons for presentation on the main stage Sept. 7-24. For information, call 821-4579.

TREATMENT PARENTS WANTED

Some children in foster care, because of traumas in their lives, have deep emotional and psychological scars. These children need to live with "professional parents" who can provide them with treatment in a family setting. Wake County Department of Social Services is looking for individuals and couples to open their homes to children ages 9-15. Also needed are respite parents to be available to care for a child at least one weekend a month. The department provides training, 24-hour support and an annual reimbursement of up to \$10,200 tax-free (\$20/day for respite care). Most important of all, they offer the opportunity to make a difference. For more information, call Tina Martin at 821-1746.

SUPPORT

The Women's Center, 315 E. Jones St., is offering support groups for women during the months of July-September.

"Women Who Love Too Much" will be offered Tuesdays, Aug. 15-Sept. 26, from 6:30-8:30 p.m. at the Women's Center. Cost is \$40. Do you believe that you are "good" enough? Will he change? This workshop is designed to help women who consistently find unloving and destructive relationships and then seem powerless to end them.

"Adult Children from Dysfunctional Families" will be offered Wednesdays, July 26-Aug. 30, from 6:30-8:30 p.m. at the Women's Center. Cost is \$40. Do you feel yourself to be impulsive? Do you have trouble making decisions? Do you try to control things that cannot be controlled? This support group will offer support and insight into the pain of co-dependency. For more information, call Mary Lou Gardner, 755-6840.

SUMMER PLAYGROUND CLOSING

The summer playground closing at Pullen Park will take place Aug. 2 from 10 a.m. to 3 p.m. There will be games, a talent show, fun house, many fun activities and food for all. Everyone is welcome.

JAZZ ON THE LAKE

Shelley Lake Sertoma Park, east side of the lake, 1400 W. Millbrook Road, will present "Jazz on the Lake" Sunday, Aug. 6, beginning at 5:30 p.m. Group Sax will play the hot, sultry sounds of jazz across Shelley Lake in this popular group's presentation. The Music in Raleigh Parks series is sponsored by Raleigh Department of Parks and Recreation Arts Program. Rain-site is Sertoma Arts Center. For more information, call 781-7685.

COOKING CLASS

A microwave cooking class is being offered at the Golden Years Clubhouse on Aug. 11 at 10 a.m. The cost is \$2. For adults 55 and over. For more information, call 755-6878.

Tax Deadline Nears For Automatic Extensions

Taxpayers who requested an automatic extension to file their federal income tax returns are reminded that their filing deadline is midnight, Aug. 15.

"We received fewer requests for extensions of time to file a return this year," said John E. Burke, district director of the Internal Revenue Service. "More than 115,000 North Carolina taxpayers needed additional time to complete their tax returns compared to 125,000 last year."

Those who fail to file by the Aug. 15 deadline will face a failure to file penalty plus a penalty and interest on whatever tax may also be due.

If anyone needs additional time,

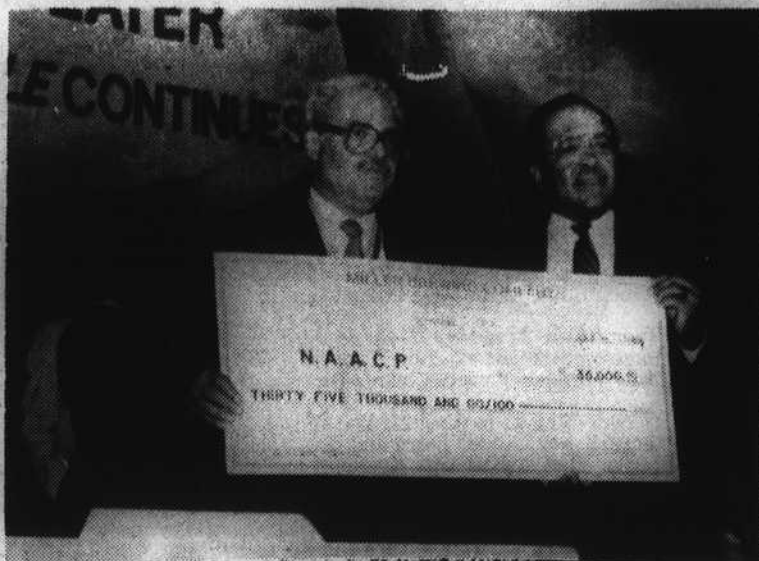
Form 2688, "Application for Additional Time to File," is available. For this application to be approved, the form must be filed timely and show reasonable cause why time is needed.

Additional information about filing tax returns can be obtained by calling the IRS toll-free number at 1-800-424-1040.

WHEN WORDS FAIL

There is a time for silence. A time for us to withdraw from the good we're pursuing that we may accomplish more. There is a time to desist from words that so often fail, and turn to good example which more surely will prevail.

Mary G. Brunke



SUPPORTING NAACP—Miller Browning Company Vice President Virgil Colbert (right) presents a check for \$35,000 for the NAACP to Benjamin Hooks, executive director of the civil rights group, during the NAACP national convention in Detroit. Since 1981, Miller Browning has contributed more than \$135,000 to the organization.

Lawmaker Proposes Plan For Institute On Race

LANSING, Mich. (AP)—An institute devoted solely to researching and interpreting race relations would promote a better understanding and sensitivity to racism, a lawmaker said in proposing state funds for the plan.

Rep. Morris Hood, D-Detroit, said he plans to include \$175,000 in the state higher education budget for the Race Relations Institute, to be located at Wayne State University in Detroit.

Hood, head of a committee deciding how to distribute money for state universities, said he also would consider giving aid to a similar endeavor planned at Western Michigan University in Kalamazoo. Both centers may be open by year's end.

In addition to conducting research, the Wayne State institute hopes to collect and integrate data on race relations that's reliable enough to be interpreted, said Sue Marx Smock, dean of the school's College of Urban, Labor and Metropolitan Affairs.

"One of the real problems in race relations is misinformation," Smock said. "We want to have people that can really look at and examine it and determine what it really means. A number doesn't mean anything by itself."

The institute also would conduct seminars for interested parties, such as civil rights leaders, affirmative action attorneys, and equal employment employers and workers, she said.

If the center already were in place, Smock said, it could have brought in constitutional lawyers to discuss the impact of recent U.S. Supreme Court decisions on civil rights, or the impact of the coming Census.

Proponents hope to make the institute a national center for advancing the understanding of racial differences, primarily between blacks and whites, in American culture.

A review by Wayne State and Western Michigan found no organization in the United States devoted solely to researching and interpreting race relations.

"Just consider what happened on college campuses with protests across the country," said George Dennison, provost and vice president for academic affairs at Western Michigan. "One way of addressing these kinds of problems is to ensure there is an information base to look at why these problems are occurring and how to address them."

"It has reached a point in time to reassess how we can sustain the accomplishments we made in the early 1960s. There's much at stake."

The Institute for the Study of Racial and Ethnic Relations at Western Michigan would also conduct research and spread information, he said.

Smock said the Detroit institute plans to be objective and neutral.

Apartments For Elderly See Improvement

Recently, the Board of Commissioners of the Housing Authority of the City of Raleigh awarded a contract to a Cary firm for re-roofing Glenwood Towers Apartments, a development for the elderly.

The funds for the \$118,322 contract, awarded to J.C. Edwards, Inc., have been provided by the Comprehensive Improvement Assistance Program under the Department of Housing and Urban Development.

The commissioners also approved an option to take right of way easement to Southern Bell Telephone and Telegraph Co. for the upgrade of the telephone lines around the apartments. The new telephone lines will provide better service to the general area and provide additional telephone lines to the apartments. This upgrade is provided by Southern Bell at no cost to the Housing Authority.

Glenwood Towers Apartments, owned and managed by the Raleigh Housing Authority, is located at 509 Glenwood Avenue.

Higher Admissions May Trouble Black Campuses

CHAPEL HILL (AP)—The University of North Carolina's predominantly black campuses might have trouble filling their freshman classes when higher admission standards take effect in fall 1990, a UNC report suggests.

According to a UNC report released last week, at least four of the state's five predominantly black universities might be in trouble in 1990 when all UNC campuses have to turn away students who haven't taken the 12 required "core" courses.

The purpose of the report, which was mailed last week to principals of each high school in the state, is to let school officials know how to prepare their graduates to gain admission to a UNC campus and do college-level work. Although the report focused only on North Carolina students, the higher standards will apply to out-of-state students, too.

"One of the purposes of giving this letter to the principals is to point out that there still is work to be done," UNC system president C.D. Spangler, Jr. said.

The new minimum standards consist of 12 courses in "core" college preparatory subjects—four units of English, three units each of mathematics and science, and two units of social studies.

The report was based on a study of 45,789 applications filed by North Carolina high school graduates seeking admission in fall 1988 to a University of North Carolina campus. Some graduates applied to more than one campus in the UNC system.

It shows that at two

campuses—Fayetteville State University and Winston-Salem State University—more than half of those who applied for admission fell short of the standards.

At Elizabeth City State University, 49.4 percent of the 1988 applicants were at least one course short of the 1990 standards. And at N.C. Central University in Durham, the comparable percentage was 39.8.

But the report also presented encouraging news for the UNC system as a whole.

Of the 26,695 North Carolina high school graduates who applied for fall 1988 admission, 86 percent had taken the 12 courses that will be required in 1990. Most of the deficiencies were in math and science courses.

UNC officials decided in 1984 to gradually raise minimum admission standards for all students because of concern over the amount of remedial education that high school graduates needed once they were admitted to a university.

Oak City Church First Anniversary

The Missionary Circle of Oak City Baptist Church will celebrate its first anniversary Sunday, July 30, at 3 p.m.

The speaker for the occasion will be Rev. Jesse Brunson, pastor of Wilson Temple United Methodist Church.

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