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## Student Redistricting

# Parents Critical Of School Plan

From CAROLINIAN Staff Reports  
Both black and white parents are upset over the redistricting of some 2,700 students in the Wake County Public School System.

"We really need to target our parents so that they can know what's going on," said Ms. Margaret Rose Murray, who is active in community issues.

Because the education of children is involved, parents should get involved in the public meetings and begin to attend other informational

meetings that will help them make a better decision regarding their children's future, she said.

The Wake County School System is moving the students to fill two new elementary schools, to adjust the racial balance and to ease crowding, especially in North Raleigh, where growth has filled the schools to beyond capacity.

White parents argue that they don't want their children bused outside of their neighborhoods. Black parents say they don't want their children bused either and that when they are bused, they are not given the attention they need.

Dorothy Shaw-Thompson, a member of Concerned Citizens for Educational Equity, said black

children always get the short end of the stick when the issue of improving the schools is at hand.

"I believe we're making a big mistake busing our children all over the city," she said in an interview with The CAROLINIAN. Many black children are doing exceptionally well in school, she said, but some of them are not given the attention they need to do better.

Some communities are suggesting that black children are doing so poorly that they are bringing down the achievement levels of white students and some black students.

Other parents say it's not the children's fault that they are not learning, but the teachers who are not doing their jobs.

The issue of redistricting has drawn much criticism from the public, most of which was the focus of a meeting at the Martin Middle School auditorium.

In North Raleigh and West Raleigh, parents say they are opposed to their children being taken out of the community and sent to neighborhoods where the children have no support system.

Other parents are dismayed at the constant reshuffling of students as the school system undergoes constant changes.

In Garner, some parents said the reassignments will draw more low-achieving students.

"One school board member said they couldn't use blacks in Garner because they are bringing down the

scores," Thompson said.

Thompson added that for students she's been in contact with in the school system, the longer they stay in, the lower their scores get.

Black parents, she said, need to get involved in their children's education.

Ms. Murray agreed.

"We have to get involved before it's too late," she said.

Some parents have complained that the school board is not giving parents enough time to understand the issues and find out how their child fares in the redistricting plan. The school system is expected to undergo rapid changes and is trying to prepare for them, but parents say they are not included in the planning stages.

## Jackson Says He Won't Run For D.C. Mayor

WASHINGTON, D.C. (AP)—Jesse Jackson's new hometown may have a job opening made to order for a once and future Democratic presidential candidate—but the fine print says he can't run for it. Another slot almost as inviting as tied up in the city council.

Neither job is mayor, the office Jackson could seek in November, an option on which he so far won't say yes or no.

The other posts involve Congress, one officially as a non-voting delegate, one unofficially, as a city-elected lobbyist for District of Columbia statehood. Either would carry some of the advantages of office without the confining duties an elected post, like mayor, usually entail.

There has been speculation about Jackson for mayor ever since he moved to Washington last summer, and he has done nothing to dampen it. That's true to the form he has shown in national Democratic politics. Jackson strengthened his influence by stirring political guesstwork about his post-convention roles in the 1984 and 1988 Democratic presidential campaigns.

Transplanted from Chicago to the District of Columbia, he's got them guessing again, this time in local politics. There are other players, among them Walter E. Fauntroy, the district's non-voting delegate to Congress since 1971.

With Mayor Marion Barry in a rehabilitation center and facing drug possession and perjury charges, some of his leading supporters have formed a committee to draft Fauntroy for mayor. Four Democrats already are running to oust Barry, but none has the name recognition that either Fauntroy or Jackson would command.

Fauntroy says he is agonizing about the decision and will announce by March 3 whether he'll run for mayor or stay in Congress, where he can't vote but has the other rights of a

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## DNA Fingerprinting Key As

# Man Pleads To 2nd-Degree Rape

## Defense Questions DNA Tests

From CAROLINIAN Staff Reports  
Howard Lee Boone, 52, who was charged with the 1987 rape of a white woman, pleaded guilty to second-degree rape and was sentenced to four years in prison this week.

Boone was charged in the attack of a woman who was jogging along a trail near Lake Johnson.

Boone, who has served about 16 months in jail while awaiting a trial, may be eligible for release soon, according to a district attorney.

Boone would have faced a much longer prison term if he had been convicted by a jury. Under the plea bargain, the prosecution dismissed charges of sex offense, assault and attempted sex offense.

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The state offered the plea deal after defense lawyer Karl E. Knudsen elicited testimony about a DNA study that uncovered an error in DNA analysis. Boone's blood DNA was linked to DNA samples from semen on the rape victim's clothing and body.

The testimony was heard during a hearing before Wake Superior Court Judge Donald W. Stephens on whether to allow a jury to hear the DNA evidence incriminating Boone.

The woman who was attacked told police that she was jogging about dusk on Oct. 15, 1987 when she was raped.

Boone, at the time, was on the streets. He had a prior criminal record, police said, and they were watching him.

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## Raleigh-Apex NAACP Plans Goals For '90s

From CAROLINIAN Staff Reports  
The Raleigh-Apex Branch of the NAACP will hold its annual Freedom Fund Banquet on March 17 at Saint Augustine's College in the Student Union Ballroom at 6 p.m. The speaker will be Benjamin S. Ruffin, vice president for corporate affairs with R.J. Reynolds Tobacco Co.

"Ben was very active in the civil rights struggle," said Bill Windley, chairman of the NAACP Freedom Fund Banquet Committee.

Under Gov. James Hunt, Ruffin did a good job trying to get blacks into state government, Windley said.

"He's been a drum major for justice," he said.

Ruffin is vice president for corporate affairs for R.J. Reynolds Tobacco Co. In this position, he is responsible for leading the company's local, state and national partnerships with key minority business, civic and professional

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IN THE FLESH—Students from area ACC schools who posed for Playboy magazine's "Women of the ACC" issue made a personal appearance in the studios of WQOK to promote the magazine and to say that they are indeed

serious students. Pictured from left are Leanie Fuller from NCSU, Chloé Chan, UNC; Betty LeGrande, NCSU; Maria Medlin, NCSU and Kelly Leverett, NCSU. (Photo by Talb Sabir-Calloway)

## Wake Teachers Approve New Plan For Differential Pay Schedule

As Wake County public school officials haggle over the redistricting of thousands of students, Wake County teachers voted on a plan that would recognize some teachers who do work beyond the call of duty.

Eighty percent of the Wake County Public School System's teachers and other professionals in certified positions have voted overwhelmingly to support additional state resources for use in differentiated pay plans in Wake County.

Differentiated pay, as provided for by North Carolina legislation, means financial rewards that make distinctions between employees, such as providing incentives to individuals or creating special roles that result in extra pay for extra duties. Differentiated pay is one component of the North Carolina School Improvement and Accountability Act, also known as Senate Bill 2. A majority vote of more than 50 percent of eligible staff systemwide was needed for approval, according to state guidelines.

On Feb. 22, 3,530 out of 4,386 certified staff members (for example, teachers, counselors, and

administrators) voted for differentiated pay, while 569 voted against the plan (262 were absent, and 250 abstained from voting).

"I'm very pleased that our teachers and other certified professionals strongly support this opportunity," said Dr. Bob Wentz, Wake County

superintendent. "The purpose of the differentiated pay plan is to support schools and recognize staff members as they develop and implement Senate Bill 2, school-based improvement plans."

The funds will be distributed to the

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MS. MARGARET ROSE MURRAY

## Ms. Murray A Winner For Her Community Work

BY W. MASON, JR.

Community organizer Margaret Rose Murray won an award from the City of Raleigh for her "outstanding work in the community" this week.

"This is the community saying thank you," she said in a telephone interview with The CAROLINIAN.

The first annual Human Relations Award presentation was held at St. Augustine's College. The award was sponsored by the Human Resources and Human Relations Advisory Commission of the city.

Ms. Murray was honored for her work in the community to foster a united African-American community and a better working relationship between the black and white communities.

She was also cited for her work in helping black businesses get off the ground and in helping existing black businesses in a competitive market. Through her efforts with the Business Building Society of Wake County and the Green Light Pages, Murray has helped to foster a growing number of black businesses.

Murray was also recognized for her work at the Correctional Center for Women, her work in promoting student scholarships and her work with the Small Business Administration.

Ms. Murray might be best known by most for her talk show at radio

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## NEWS BRIEFS

### DOWNTOWN HOUSING GROUP

IBM Corp. announced last week the donation of computer equipment to the Downtown Housing Improvement Corp., a non-profit housing development group based in Raleigh. Robert E. Williams, a member of DHIC's Board of Directors and an IBM employee, joined with Robert F. Gunter, Jr., of IBM and DHIC officials to accept the computer equipment on Friday. The DHIC completed construction of two affordable rental apartment developments in Raleigh in November. The corporation is also the developer of the Murphey School in downtown Raleigh, a \$2.5 million conversion of Raleigh's oldest public school into affordable housing for the elderly.

### CHEM-NUCLEAR BUDGETS

Chem-Nuclear, which announced at a protest-plagued meeting last week that a site on the Wake-Chatham county line and one in Richmond County were its two recommended locations for a low-level radioactive waste facility, has a big public relations battle on its hands.

Gall Rosenberg, Chem-Nuclear's director of communications and community

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## RWCA Elects New Leaders; Makes Pledge To Lift Black Community

The Raleigh-Wake Citizens Association, an organization fueled by the African-American struggle, is planning a bold new approach to the problems of blacks in the 1990s.

Its approach, however, stems from its history.

Fifty-eight years ago in October 1932, 15 citizens representing a cross-section of the civic, business, education and religious sectors of Raleigh sat down to form and organization to address issues affecting the African-American community. Since that time, the organization has helped to establish the Tuttle Community Center, secured buses for students to Washington High School, fought discrimination against blacks at the old Fayetteville Street Theater, assisted Raleigh's first black mail carrier, brought national attention to itself and the city of Raleigh by filing a federal injunction against the Raleigh School Board for denying black students the right to attend Needham Broughton High School. The organization branched out later to include citizens from all of Wake County, a political action committee and more.

Today, the RWCA remains committed to equality and civil rights, economic development in the African-American community, jobs, affordable housing, improved schools, and recreational facilities.

The organization's mission, to protect, encourage, educate and help the citizens of Raleigh and Wake County in their civic, economic, social, educational and political advancement, remains even stronger in 1990. Its membership of more than 200 represents every facet of the Wake County community.



NEW RWCA LEADERS—New leaders for Raleigh Wake Citizens Association include seated, left to right, Ms. Sonia Barnes, president; Ms. Mary Perry, vice president; standing left to right, Ms. Patsy Hargrove, corresponding secretary; Harold Webb, treasurer; and Ms. Janet Barnes, recording secretary. Not in photo is Geoff Simmons, parliamentarian. (Photo by Chris Hinton)



BENJAMIN S. RUFFIN

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