

YWCA HONORS

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alternative care options for school-age children. She chaired the Hargett Street Committee on Administration, which is the governing committee for the branch, and the World Mutual Service Committee. Best was also instrumental in acquiring certification for the YWCA's participation in the North Carolina Child Nutrition Program.

In 1946, Ms. Freeman began a long association with the YWCA. She served on the board of directors, the committee on administration, the adult education committee and chaired the Back To Our Roots steering committee. She contributed much to the development of children's services, including a summer in the 1960s, when she worked as a camp counselor. She was a staunch supporter of the organization's efforts to involve all women in their programs, not exclusively women of means.

Ms. Macon began making significant contributions to the organization in 1955. She served on the committee on administration and the world mutual service committee. Macon possessed a strong interest in the world mutual service committee, which she also chaired. The committee conducted foreign missionary work for developing countries, through projects that raised funds for necessary program services. Macon was instrumental in establishing an annual World Mutual Service fund raiser, children's extravaganza, featuring performances by local children.

Ms. Young has lent her support to the YWCA since 1960. She served on the committee on administration and chaired the building and grounds committee. As her primary project, her involvement with buildings and grounds resulted in a fresh coat of paint for the facility. She also acquired the first draperies for the branch. Young was instrumental in securing furnishings for the office and lounge areas.

Back To Our Roots guests enjoyed dinner, the solo performances of Tiwanda Shepard and recitations delivered by Lillie Caster. Janet M. Howard of WSHA at Shaw University was the mistress of ceremony, with Live Wire as co-producer and narrator.

The YWCA of Wake County is a non-profit organization dedicated to providing quality services for women and their families. Branch locations are at 554 E. Hargett St. and 1012 Oberlin Rd.

JAPANESE

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assure the appropriate handling of minority issues in elementary and higher education in Japan.

In recognition of the importance of providing education and research opportunities in the history and culture of African-Americans, the government will encourage colleges and universities to promote education and research opportunities in the history and culture of African-Americans, and due regards will be given to meet budget requests for new chairs in this subject area.

The government will request the Japan Textbook Association to prepare readers and other materials which reflect a correct perception of minority issues for schools in Japan.

NAACP Position: There should be two-way cultural exchanges between Japan and the African-American community, to better acquaint key groups in Japan and Japanese in the United States with African-Americans' interest and sensitivities and to acquaint African-Americans with the Japanese culture and mores.

The government of Japan will assume a leadership position in Japan for deepening the understanding of the Japanese people and imparting a correct perception of minority issues.

Pursuit of more active personnel exchanges and promotion of dialogue and mutual understanding.

There will be an active invitational program for minority leaders and specialists by the government.

An invitation will be offered to five members of the Congressional Black Caucus to visit Japan (this year) at a mutually convenient time in order to promote regular meetings between the Parliamentarians' Discussion Group on Minority Issues and the Congressional Black Caucus.

The Liberal Democratic Party is now studying the possibilities for promoting exchanges among congressional staff members.

Promotion of the enlightenment of the Japanese people through speeches and seminars made possible through an active invitational program to minority representatives.

NAACP Position: Japanese businesses in the United States should be encouraged to voluntarily set for themselves the kinds of affirmative action goals that are used by many American firms. There should be an opportunity for the employment and promotion of numbers of African-Americans.

The government is maintaining close contact with the relevant ministries and agencies and is proceeding with specific policies. It will also continue a close liaison with various civil rights and minority groups through its embassy and consulates in the United States.

Japan's economic sector, specifically the Keidanren (Japan Federation of Economic Organizations) and the Japan Chamber of Commerce and Industry, will address

this matter in their own areas of influence. The Keidanren will continue its liaison with the Council for Better Corporate Citizenship and other organizations in its various activities to address this matter.

INSIDE AFRICA

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Foundation (the EOF), an independent fund dedicated to aiding the victims of apartheid and building a post-apartheid society. This foundation is supported by an initial investment of \$10 million, and it constitutes the largest education and development foundation controlled by blacks in all of Africa.

Ethnic diversity, of course, is an issue not only in South Africa. Too many Americans still fail to understand that intelligence, creativity, and great possibilities are not monopolized by any single ethnic group, regardless of its own mythology.

Here at home, the Coca-Cola Co. actively encourages economic empowerment through minority business ownership, as evidenced by the Philadelphia Coca-Cola Bottling Co., the third-largest African-American-owned firm in the entire United States.

We were the first soft drink company—the pacesetter, if you will—to empower blacks with a bottling franchise. This franchise includes production and distribution—not just distribution, as is the norm for other soft-drink companies.

Nor do we intend to stop with this first effort, which has been called one of the most successful minority-launched businesses in our nation's history. And, in still another example of economic empowerment, during this past year alone, Coca-Cola Enterprises maintained at least 15 percent of its pension plan assets with minority-owned investment management firms.

Ensuring fair employment and promotion opportunities is fundamental to black economic empowerment. Our operating policies require managers at every level in the company to be involved in creating an ethnically diverse workforce. As a result of this internal policy, the percentage of African-Americans in our workforce is twice that of the general population. Of the 20 percent of our employees who are black, some 18 percent are professionals and managers.

The Coca-Cola Co. hopes that even more major firms will recognize and respond to the economic value of corporate social responsibility efforts, including activities that help to empower blacks and other people of color. Knowing that philosophical commitment can generate true power only through good deeds, we remain firmly committed to action.

NCCU GIFT

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The donation, to be presented over three years, will establish a Glaxo Distinguished Professorship in Biomedical Science, and create an endowed Glaxo Scholarship Fund that will ultimately provide financial support to 40 undergraduate Glaxo Scholars each year.

In addition, the gift will provide \$126,000 for the renovation and modernization of NCCU's Career Planning and Placement Center.

The Glaxo gift provides a total of \$394,000 to endow the chair of the Glaxo Distinguished Professor of Biomedical Science. That amount will be combined with \$166,000 from the Distinguished Professors Endowment Trust Fund established by the North Carolina General Assembly for the constituent institutions of the University of North Carolina.

Chancellor Richmond said, "The Glaxo chair will become North Carolina Central University's first endowed chair. It will provide continuing evidence of North Carolina Central University's commitment to leadership in biomedical education and research."

The undergraduate students who will become Glaxo Scholars will be selected on the basis of Scholastic Aptitude Test scores, rank in high school class, secondary school grades, and recommendations.

Like students who participate in NCCU's federally-funded Minority Access to Research Careers program, the Glaxo Scholars will be involved in scientific research projects as undergraduates, with faculty mentors.

A primary goal of the Glaxo Scholarship Program, Chancellor Richmond said, is to expand the number of NCCU students, particularly minority students, who go on to graduate studies in the biomedical sciences.

Dr. Richmond noted that NCCU has a history of more than 40 years of undergraduate involvement in biomedical research. Dr. Ezra L. Totton, who became chairman of the NCCU Department of Chemistry in 1949, incorporated training in basic research as a part of the department's undergraduate programs. Many of Dr. Totton's students at NCCU went on to earn higher degrees, including 22 of his former students who now hold their doctorates, as well as others with medical and other advanced degrees.

In 1972, NCCU biology professor Dr. Walter H. Pattillo won federal funding for a Minority Biomedical Research Support program from the National Institutes of Health, and in 1980 Dr. John Ruffin, then chair of the Biology Department, established the federally funded Minority Access to Research Careers program at NCCU.

Since the two federally funded programs were established, nearly 50 of the student participants have earned their Ph.D. degrees, more than 120 their M.D. degrees, and more than 60 their DDS degrees. The two programs have enjoyed a 90 percent success rate in encouraging participants to pursue further education, and have helped NCCU to rank among the top five colleges and universities in the nation in terms of the number of black graduates who go on to earn the Ph.D. degree.

The Glaxo grant of \$126,000 for the modernization of the Career Planning and Placement Center will enable the center to provide improved services to the Glaxo scholars, as well as to other undergraduate and graduate students at NCCU. In recognition of the support, the Career Planning and Placement Center's library will be named the Glaxo Career Planning and Placement Library.

REPUBLICANS

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Republican gubernatorial candidate Jim Edgar received public endorsements from several Chicago black leaders, largely due to the fact that his Democratic opponent had opposed the late mayor Harold Washington in his 1987 re-election campaign. About one-fifth of the black vote went to Edgar statewide, which provided the Republican with an unexpected margin of victory.

Black Americans understand that the Republican party is clearly hostile to our interests. But politics makes strange bedfellows, and the refusal of white Democrats to take seriously the message of the Jesse Jackson challenge fragments the degree of partisanship and loyalty blacks have toward their party. Unless white Democrats really begin to champion blacks' interests, blacks in growing numbers will collaborate with Republicans at state and national levels.

POLICE REPORTS

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Careful analysis of the full report, and several interviews with sources within the Raleigh Police Department find that while Chief Heineman's review directs attention toward how Tony Farrell was mistakenly identified as a suspect and, in the conclusion, justifiably shot, the report fails to address when and how Officer Glover got involved with the investigation prior to creating the roadblock on Ashe Avenue, where the shooting occurred. A review of both the Raleigh Police transmission tape of the incident, as well as the transcript of that tape, fail to identify Officer Glover ever once communicating with the four other police units that were directly following behind Farrell's car.

Nor is there any reference to Detective Glover, either by code, unit number or name, during the course of the radio transmission. This creates the question, "Who ordered Glover to the Ashe Avenue roadblock, while four police cars are already on the scene, to apprehend a robbery suspect. In short, there is no record of Detective Glover during this incident until another detective, who is following directly behind Farrell's car, says over the police radio to the other units "Glover just fired a shot, I'm right behind him..." indicating that Glover by that point had already stopped his car, left it with his gun drawn, approached not one, but two cars, and opened fire when the second car tried to speed away.

Chief Heineman's report does not address these questions.

The report does not explain why Detective Glover, who told Police Internal Affairs investigators that he had been monitoring his police radio (which is how he knew that a black male suspect in a silver compact car



AKA's Celebrate Black History Mo.

On Sunday, February 15, 1991, the Alpha Theta Omega Chapter of Alpha Kappa Alpha Sorority, Raleigh, North Carolina, presented the Gamma Xi Chapter from Saint Augustine's College in "While The Drum Speaks", a dramatization commemorating Black History Month. The dramatization, a combination of dialogue and song, was written by Ms. J. Ann Craig. This inspirational and informative theatrical mirrored the human spirit as African-Americans sought to assert themselves and cast off the shackles of slavery, oppression, and the denial of our inalienable rights. The assertions were founded on truth and anchored by experience. With the symbolic beating of the drum, the participants interwove the history of the past with the hopes of the present and the future. The African-American past has been arked by

certain kinds of experiences quite unique in the history of America. These experiences reflected themselves through the history and the religion. Interspersed with the history and the religion were the spirituals which hauntingly punctuated the words. Such spirituals as "Were You There?", "Go Down, Moses", "Steal Away", "My Lord What a Morning", and "This Little Light of Mine" accented the history of a people determined to change their predisposed destiny. A crowning moment came with Julie Ward Howe's "The Battle Hymn of the Republic" and James and Rosmond Johnson's "Lift Every Voice and Sing". The accompanist for the occasion was M. Lloydine Perry.

Presiding was Ms. Myra Smith, 2nd Vice President of the chapter. Participants in the dramatization from the Gamma Xi Chapter were

Kimberly Coleman (drummer), Shanel Harris, Annunziata Hopkins, Delicia McNeil, Patricia Parker, and Marcia Turner.

The program was planned by the chapter's Youth Committee and geared to the 1990 Debutantes. Committee members present were Myra Smith, Chairman, Mary Aldrich, Thomasine Hardy, Loraine Hinton, Clementine Holden, Lucy Powell, Paula Sawyer, Joan Silvey, and Rosilyn H. Taylor. Other members of the sorority in attendance were Muriel Allison, Barbara Flood, President, Dorecia Hammond, and M. Lloydine Perry. Others attending were Ms. LeShawndra Price, Ms. Marva Price, and Ms. Ruby Mims. The Alpha Theta Omega Chapter is extremely proud of the dynamic performance given by the members of Gamma Xi and thank them for their creativity and service.

WILLIAMSTON WHISTLINGS

BY JOYCE GRAY

WILLIAMSTON—Happy birthday greetings to Ms. Lillian Peel, Ms. Eleanor Hyman, Ms. Winnie C. Teel, Joseph Bell, Ms. Rosa G. Wooden, Ms. Della Moore, Herman Reese, Ms. Leda Duggins, Ms. Fannie L. Slade, and George Roberts.

We congratulate Ms. Milmer J. Williams, Oak City resident who was elected "Retiree of the Month" recently by the Martin County Unit of North Carolina Retired School Personnel at the group's monthly meeting.

Ms. Williams serves as president of the unit and in addition, also serves as president of the North Carolina Retired School Personnel District 15.

suspended Detective James Glover from the police department for five days. Such a suspension would automatically demote Glover from Investigator Grade 2 to Investigator Grade 1, with a substantial loss in pay. With twenty-four years on the force, Glover would be too close to retirement to be considered for any senior post in the department. Sources also confirm that with the demotion, Glover would be removed from active street duty for an indeterminate amount of time. The detective has reportedly secured legal counsel to fight this decision.

Benton, who has told a local newspaper that he has not issued a final report on the Farrell shooting, even though he formally presented Chief Heineman's report to the Police Affairs Committee in a written memo as a "full review of the incident", says he will provide his own report to the City Council when they meet Tuesday, February 19th. He is expected to publically announce the suspension of Officer Glover then.

Benton will be greeted by several hundred members of Raleigh's African-American community who plan a demonstration in front of the Municipal Building on Tuesday starting at 12:30 p.m. to protest the city administration's handling of the Farrell shooting investigation.

A member of St. Mark's Baptist Church in Oak City, singing in that church choir, being on the board of deacons, secretary and a member of the Eastern Carolina Vocational Board does not prevent a membership in four local singing groups nor a county Crimestoppers membership. She is a worthy matron with Venus Chapter No. 541, Order of the Eastern Star.

Ms. Williams is the first chairman of the newly-formed Martin County Human Relations Commission. Elected a town commissioner in the Oak City area, she is the newly elected president of the Martin County Unit of Church Women United, plus she is a notary public. Still, amidst all of the above, Ms. Williams takes piano lessons. Her hobby is reading magazines and daily newspapers.

Cut-off date for hotel reservations for the 39th annual Southeast Regional NAACP Leadership Development Training Institute is March 1.

The Macon Hilton Hotel Downtown, 108 First St., Macon, Ga., is the place to be on March 14-16 to take part in such seminars and workshops covering topics such as "Establishing an NAACP Resource and Service Center," "Orientation for New Officers and Newly Chartered Units," "The NAACP Program—What To Do and How to Do It," "Building Effective Prison Ministries," "Health Care in the African-American Community," "Handling Complaints of Fair Employment and Fair Housing Discrimination—Using Testers," "Lobby Mobilization: The 102nd Congress, State and Local Governments," "The 1991 Reapportionment Process," "Teaching African-American History in the Public Schools," "Education/Legal Project Seminar," "Africa—Land of Challenge and Opportunity" and "Back to School/Job Readiness Program."

The 1991 theme, "NAACP—Back to Basics: Heritage, Excellence and Advancement," chosen by the regional

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