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million, 20,000-seat outdoor performance center in Raleigh. Coca-Cola Bottling Co., Consolidated, Miller Brewing Co., and the News and Observer have joined a growing list of companies that will be affiliated with the new outdoor concert venue during its inaugural season.



G. WILSON ROGERS

Rogers said Hardee's Walnut Creek welcomes the involvement of these companies. "We are very pleased with the level of enthusiasm within the local business community. Clearly, these companies are showing their support for music and performing arts in the Triangle," Rogers said.

Sony Music/PACE is overseeing development at the 77-acre site, scheduled to open in July. The amphitheatre features seating for 7,000 in an open-air pavilion, plus space for 13,000 in the general admission festival lawn under the stars.

James E. Bailey, director of advertising and sales promotion, Coca-Cola Bottling Co. Consolidated, said that his company is committed to furthering the relationship between Coca-Cola and PACE that has formed at other PACE venues across the country. "Certainly, the exposure is good for us. But more significantly, supporting this amphitheatre offers us a way to give back to the community."

"Miller Brewing Co. is proud to be associated with Sony Music and PACE at this exciting new entertainment facility in Raleigh," said Michael J. Samuels, regional sales and marketing planner. "Walnut Creek will be a big success and a benefit to the people of central and eastern North Carolina."

Michael Highsmith, fine wines sales manager, Mims Distributing Co., Raleigh, said the entertainment at Hardee's Walnut Creek will put the Triangle on the map as a leading cultural center in the United States. "We don't have to play second fiddle to anyone any more," he said. Mims is the local distributor for Miller Beer.

Butch Robertson, promotions manager, News and Observer, said the amphitheatre project is the biggest entertainment news to hit Raleigh in years. "We couldn't ask for a more exciting kickoff to the summer of '91. I can't wait to be stretched out on that lawn, listening to music under the stars."

Hardee's Walnut Creek Amphitheatre is located outside the Beltline and I-40 in Raleigh's new Walnut Creek Park. The main entrance is situated near the intersection of Sunnybrook and Rock Quarry roads.

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taches to its scholarships. Some of the athletes, most of them football and tennis players, have retained an attorney.

Auditors are at the school on a routine annual audit, and officials at the State Auditor's Office said one part of the review will be athletic scholarships.

State auditors in 1988 and again in 1989 have noted deficiencies in athletic scholarships while performing full-scale audits that criticized the entire school's record keeping.

C.D. Spangler, Jr., president of the University of North Carolina system, directed N.C. Central leaders to investigate the allegations.

Spangler said he would talk to Richmond and "ask him to look into the matter."

"Any time any student feels that there is something wrong with the way that student is being treated by our university, then that merits consideration," Spangler said. "The chancellor has the responsibility to handle matters like this. I'm going to ask him to take a look and then talk to me."

Ralph Wenzell, an assistant football coach who was dismissed after last season along with head coach Henry C. Lattimore, said the school signed only about five players for next fall—about half the normal number.

The assistant coaches knew the scholarship agreements were unlikely to be honored, Wenzell said.

"I couldn't look them in the eye and promise them anything," Wenzell said. "It's a struggle for these kids. They can't pre-register. Then they can't get the classes they need."

Tyrone Ross, a senior defensive end from Carthage, was promised a full scholarship when he came to NCCU. He said he got all his money the first three years, but he said that this year the athletic department has not approved 621 of his bill.

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help of the "father of deprogramming," Ted Patrick.

Theoretically, the purpose of deprogramming is to strip a person in a possibly destructive or oppressive religion, and get the person to think logically about their religious choices and the sometimes extravagant sacrifices cult members make for the sake of their religion. In the past cult members targeted by CAN have severed all ties with family members, sold all their property and given the proceeds to their religious leader and even submitted sexually to the leader's whims.

Wende Potter, a recent deprogramming target, told of a harrowing experience with deprogramming and her eventual escape. Potter, a Hampton University graduate, a runner-up in the 1987 Miss Black USA contest, and the first black deprogramming target, said after her graduation in May 1988, she became involved with the New Dawn Family Ministries in Virginia Beach, Va.

E. Maxine Givner is the pastor of New Dawn Family Ministries.

On Nov. 21, 1988, while visiting her father in Boston, Wende was accosted by Cult Awareness Network members. Potter said she was subjected to a barrage of verbal and physical attacks during a three-day period.

She eventually escaped. "During the time I was there, I was not allowed to read a Bible and I couldn't even go to the bathroom alone," she said. "It was a very nightmarish time in my life, and even now I'm worried that they may try to avagain."

St. Jude Tabernacle Church pastor, Dr. Jackie Roberts, said although in the past targets of deprogramming attempts have been white, the focus has shifted to more affluent blacks.

"The Constitution's First Amendment guarantees every church, denomination and religious group equal treatment under the law," Paige said. "Yet some groups would set themselves up as an arbiter of what constitutes good religion. Past and present American experience points to the existence of hate groups who would deny minorities their rights. The Ku Klux Klan, well known for attitudes and actions of racial intolerance, is such a group."

INSIDE AFRICA
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is responsible for these senseless killings of blacks by blacks. President de Klerk and his Afrikaner Nationalist Party are responsible. They create and run the hostels in and around Johannesburg, as well as the Bantustan concentration camps. Last year, de Klerk dragged Mandela out of jail, promising to cooperate with him both to end apartheid and to democratize South Africa. But neither of these two objectives has been achieved! Despite the fact that de Klerk has his electorate's mandate, he has not effected change. Meanwhile, Buthelesi and Mandela fight alone to demolish the apartheid mania, and to democratize South Africa... But de Klerk keeps on hurling spanners into Buthelesi's and Mandela's democratization machine's wheel.

End apartheid today: and there will be no apartheid and genocide of black-on-black faction fights tomorrow... And without apartheid, Mandela, Buthelesi, ANC, Inkatha, PAC and others will have nothing to fight about, or cause them to fight.

Once more, we appeal to mankind to torpedo apartheid—not its victims. Torpedo white domination and not the struggling victims of the ugly racist state. De Klerk must maintain law and order or abdicate. Mandela and Buthelesi are not empowered to do so. They have no machinery for maintenance of law and order. Besides, it is crystal-clear that neither Buthelesi nor Mandela has authority over the thugs who perpetuate the faction fights. The thugs are legal inmates in de Klerk's hostels and Bantustans.

De Klerk must end apartheid, and peace will follow. De Klerk must desist from quibbling with his endless "preconditions" for the start of black-white negotiations. He must immediately embark on the early democratization of South Africa, which PAC, ANC and Inkatha are fighting to attain.

World! Don't torpedo the African victims of apartheid! Instead, turn your anger and torpedo the evil system of apartheid.

RIGHTS BILL
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Three Republicans on the Judiciary Committee crossed over to vote with the solid Democratic majority in favor of the bill. They were the ranking Republican, Rep. Hamilton Fish, Jr. of New York, and Reps. Tom Campbell of California and Steven Schiff of New Mexico. The bill would roll back 6 Supreme

Court decisions in 1989 that opponents say have made it more difficult to bring job discrimination cases against employers. It also would broaden the rights of women to sue over sex discrimination and harassment, putting their rights on the same legal footing as race bias cases.

Opponents in the committee repeated Bush's contention that the bill would prompt employers to use quotas in hiring and promotion - a charge sponsors deny.

The bill passed by large majorities in the House and Senate last year, but supporters were short of the two-thirds majority needed to override Bush's veto. Sponsors have focused their efforts this year on gaining that added margin, and have sought to broaden support by emphasizing the bill's benefits to women.

Among major differences between the Democratic and administration bills, the Democratic measure would allow women to be awarded unlimited monetary damages in sex discrimination cases, while the administration would allow damages only up to \$150,000, and only in cases of sexual harassment rather than all intentional discrimination cases.

DR. JENIFER
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in 1965, both in microbiology. He later earned a Ph.D. in plant virology from the University of Maryland in 1970.

Prior to being chancellor of the Massachusetts system, he was vice chancellor of the New Jersey Department of Higher Education from 1979-86 and associate provost at Rutgers University's Newark campus from 1977-79. He was a member of the faculty at Rutgers from 1970-77, starting as assistant professor and working his way to becoming chairperson of the biology department. He also was chairperson of the University Senate there from 1976 to 1977.

Dr. Jenifer and his wife Alfreda live in Northwest Washington and are the parents of three adult children.

Howard University is a private, comprehensive research university with a predominantly black constituency. It enrolls approximately 12,000 students annually in its 18 schools and colleges, which include professional degree programs in dentistry, law and medicine.

AT&T Tells Of Customer Savings On Equipment

ATLANTA, Ga.—AT&T last week announced that North Carolina customers can purchase a cordless telephone, an answering machine or a combination phone/answering machine at discounts based on the customers' monthly AT&T long-distance charges.

Called "AT&T Quality Connections," the program allows customers to pay for the products in 12 monthly installments on their long-distance bills with no finance charge.

Depending on a customer's monthly long-distance charges, the three products will be discounted up to 25 percent. Callers who now have or who sign up for AT&T's Reach Out America calling plan can earn discounts of up to 40 percent.

The AT&T 5325 Cordless Phone, priced at \$179.88, the AT&T Integrated Answering System, a combination telephone and answering system, priced at \$159.96; and the AT&T 1125 Answering System, priced at \$129.96, are offered through the program, which also features a 30-day in-home trial.

"The beauty of this plan is that it offers consumers shopping convenience, price savings and an installment plan in one neat package," said Jim Shannon, manager of the AT&T Quality Connections program.

To participate in the Quality Connections program, customers can call 1-800-242-1003, Monday through Friday between 9 a.m. and 9:30 p.m. and Saturday and Sunday between 9 a.m. and 5:30 p.m., or write to AT&T Quality Connections Program, P.O. Box 800, New York, N.Y. 10102-1062.

Quality Connections is unavailable in some areas served by small independent telephone companies. Customers may call the toll-free 800 number to see if the program is available to them.

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WILLIAMSTON WHISTLINGS

BY JOYCE GRAY

WILLIAMSTON—A happy belated birthday greeting to Ms. Nonnie Smallwood. Somehow, she forgot to tell yours truly and so, she was accused of trying to keep the big day a secret. One of her proud sons stated she was so proud to see 72 that she went out—celebrating. When reminded that some women refuse to speak of "numbers," he jested, "Zip it," but I do know she's thankful to be here today.

Birthday greetings to Ms. Pochontas Evans, Clinton C. Jones, II, Lucien Alphonza Lewis.

Wedding anniversary greetings to Mr. and Mrs. William H. Manson.

The North Carolina Black Leadership Caucus met on March 23 in the Boyer Building, St. Augustine's College, Raleigh. On the agenda were redistricting, caucus constitution (proposal changes), district and county constitutions and 1991-92 goals and objectives. Elijah "Pete" Peterson is chairman.

Time will be on the Martin County Branch, NAACP, for election of delegates to the national convention Sunday, April 14. The 3 p.m. regular meeting will be held at Green Memorial Church, East Main Street, Williamston. No alternates will be elected until all delegate slots are filled.

Anyone desiring to join the membership rolls may do so at this meeting, which is open to the general public.

All Youth Council members are requested to meet with the adults, thereby having a joint meeting to deal with both units' assessment fee, Freedom Fund and Youth contestants for 1991. Parents and grandparents are urged to show their support with their presence at this time.

On the sick and shut-in list: Ms. Betty S. Lanier, Robert Lee Barnes, Ms. Rachel H. Lyons, Ms. Grace P. Smithwick, Alton Bell, Ms. Marie Biggs, Ms. Daisy H. Biggs, Ms. Mammie Keyes, Joe Biggs, Ms. Roxie West, Jesse Bell, Ms. Hattie Spell, Mr. and Mrs. George T. Hyman, Ms. Armaza C. Roberson, Frederick Bennett, Ms. Zara Chance, Ms. Christine Council, Mr. and Mrs. Earnhart Winborne, Ms. Mattie H. Perry, George Anthony Perry, Robert Jones, William A. Lanier, Calvin Rodgers, James Rodgers (Harrell Street), Ms. Ophelia Peale.

Reported doing well now is Ms. Ida J. Rodgers. Back toward a normal schedule is Ms. Gladys Duggins.

In the hospital at this writing is Samuel Lee. At home ill is Jesse Lee. Roper's sick: Ms. Clarise W. Jones and Rudolph Wilkins.

In Plymouth, Ms. Pauline Brown. Ms. Esther Roberts in the rest home.

Is there joy in retirement? Apparently Ms. Alice ("Marie" to some) Roberts was so excited that she forgot to request a change in the place of delivering her copy of The CAROLINIAN. For sure, there must be some pleasure in not having to watch the time for signing the time card.

Loyaan Egal of Hollis, N.Y., was on a tour this weekend in North Carolina. He is interested in attending Duke University.

Expressions of sympathy are extended to the family of the late Johnny "Shortie" Lawrence, Sr., who expired Tuesday, March 21. Also to the family of the late Robert Crowe, Everetts, a barber by profession who also passed on March 21. Crowe had been in declining health since the passing of his wife nearly two years ago.

Funeral services were conducted for Mr. Lawrence on Monday, March 25, at Mt. Shiloh Missionary Baptist Church, Williamston, with Elder James Taylor officiating. Services were entrusted to Smith Community Funeral Home and interment was in the Smith Memorial Gardens in Williamston.

Fred Howard retired March 24 as the pianist at Chapel Hill Baptist Church. He had been giving his services to the church for the past 41 years. Tears came down his face as honor was paid to him by the choir president, Ms. Hattie Rogers.

Pastor T.R. Vines stated that "giving flowers now" while Howard was among the living was his belief and so it was echoed by Howard, who then became emotional, especially when remarks were made by others paying tribute related to the years of hard times, and pointed to his steadfast faithfulness all during those years.

One could appreciate the smooth touch when he played some of the old favorites during the worship service.

Announcing his divorce is Jerome W. Aikens, Route 1, Williamston. Seems it became final Thursday, March 21, in the Martin County Court. Aikens had been married to Ms. Estelle Jackson, formerly of Roberstonville.

Accused of not making public their meeting and agenda were the Martin County Board of Commissioners at their March 20 meeting. Charles

Campbell, speaking on behalf of stockholders in the Holiday Inn and Comfort Inn Motel against a tax on room occupancy at all Martin County motels, was outnumbered by those who favor such a tax. The tax would by and large finance the operation of the newly organized Travel and Tourism Commission.

Campbell had shared the facts of the motel losses and highest peak of profit at the March 4 meeting along with other motel representatives. However, the commissioners did not appear to have changed opinions one iota.

Another group who left the meeting without broad smiles on their faces were the stockholders in the Cotton Gin soon to be located in Everetts. This group anticipates cotton becoming queen of the farm market again in the very near future.

For the first time witnessing the meeting room with every chair occupied, a sudden thought flashed into mind—a political game in full force in Martin County, much better than the idiot box whose commercials always break into the climax.

But to be sure, we're going to pay, one way or another, if the tourists come when the four-lane is completed. We're going to pay, especially the middle class, because of those changes projected in the Social Service Department, the housing of the Travel and Tourism Commission, the Little League ball team, the renovation of Moratac Park building, plus a few others things, which have just gotta be taken care of.

Cedar Hill Baptist Church will visit and render service at Cedar Hill Baptist Church on Sunday, April 2, at 4 p.m. Rev. F.C. Mitchell, pastor of Cedar Hill, will be speaking. The program is sponsored by the Sunday School Department.

No one without a ticket will be admitted to the United Fellowship Banquet scheduled to be held in Williamston High School. Tickets were on sale starting in December 1990.

A few comments have been received complimenting the youth on the

"Who Am I" program. Everyone present seemed to be very surprised over the fact that Ms. Elizabeth Scott has become so mature within the past year. Her presentation was well planned and timely. One could see none of the shyness displayed four years ago. Keep up the good work, young lady, please! You will certainly be an asset to some organization one day in the near future.

Thank God for persons with compassion within their heart. Such was the case last week when someone became very concerned that Ms. Lucy Perry Brown did not respond to her telephone calls.

Someone called Carolina Telephone Company whose representative came, checked the phone, then went beyond that point by calling a relative of Ms. Brown who took steps to see that she got medical help immediately.

Whoever you are, Mr. Carolina Telephone repairman, it is good to know there are folk around still who care, and go forward in showing that care.

On the belated happy birthday greeting list also are George T. Hyman, Carl Highsmith, Ms. Roberta G. James, and Rev. Leroy Outerbridge.

Mr. and Mrs. Frederick Nichols, Philadelphia, Pa., came into town last weekend to visit his and her relatives. They were also celebrating a wedding anniversary, the 36th, in fact.

Some folk looked forward to the big day in Jamesville on Easter Sunday. Eighteen years ago it was just a "cookout day" for Hood Temple AME Zion to raise some funds, then a need to build Williams Community Center was pressing, so club members active at that time went to Jamesville, too, and called it a herring festival. It's Jamesville's biggest event now.

Doughnuts were being sold about Williamston and in parts of Jamesville last Saturday by some 4-H Club members.

Black Producers Fight To Nix TV Network Re-runs

WASHINGTON, D.C. (AP)—Black producers are "fighting for our lives" in the battle to keep networks out of the TV rerun business, producer and entertainer Quincy Jones said last week.

Without the federal limits on network ownership of programs and rerun rights, black producers "won't be able to survive financially or creatively," Jones said in a telephone interview from his home in Los Angeles.

Jones and 43 other black producers wrote to the Federal Communications Commission March 20 asking that the panel keep the 20-year-old restrictions in place.

The rules have "made it possible for minority producers to aspire to and, hopefully, to achieve a level of creative and entrepreneurial opportunity and growth which might otherwise be withheld from us," the letter said.

In addition to Jones, it was signed by actor and producer Robert Guillaume, who became popular as the star of the TV show "Benson;" Thomas Carter, producer of ABC-TV's "Equal Justice;" and 41 others.

Meanwhile, the three major networks apparently are trying to privately settle the bitter dispute over the \$5 billion rerun business.

In a March 18 letter to Commissioner Ervin Duggan, three top network executives said they are "seeking formal or informal discussions with many of the parties involved."

The FCC is considering whether to keep its Financial Interest and Syndication Rules, also known as Fin-Syn, which prohibit the networks from owning most of their prime-time entertainment programs or holding the rerun rights.

The networks, with backing from the Bush administration, want the FCC to discard the rules. However, a coalition of more than 200 studios, independent producers and independent TV stations have campaigned to keep the restraints.

The commission was to have decided the matter by the middle of the month, but commission Chairman Alfred Sikes removed it from the agenda after the Justice Department asked for extra time to study an 11th-hour proposal from Commissioner Andrew Barrett.

Barrett and two other commissioners—Sherrie Marshall and Ervin Duggan, reportedly favor keeping the rules, with some changes. Sikes and James Quello have sided with the networks.

Jones said it's taken a long time for black producers to gain a foothold in the television industry and survival would be impossible without the rules.

"We're fighting for our lives out here," he said.

Jones, a Grammy Award-winning recording artist, produced the Steven Spielberg-directed movie "The Color Purple" and made his debut as a television producer with the NBC-TV comedy "Fresh Prince of Bel Air," a joint venture with Time Warner.

The Fin-Syn rules were promulgated when ABC, CBS and NBC dominated television. The Bush administration and some analysts have argued that the rules are outmoded in the face of competitive pressures from cable, videocassette rentals and independent TV stations.

The prime-time audience share of the three major networks has declined from about 85 percent in 1970 to about 60 percent today.

It said the networks are trying to set up the meetings with the five major studios—Warner, Paramount, Universal, Disney and Columbia—and independent producers and would be "exploring with them the proposals now pending before the commission, in order to see whether common ground can be found."

Alysse Cullinan Receives Monies Study At UNC-G

Alysse Kristin Cullinan of Raleigh has been selected to receive an Alumni Scholarship for studies at the University of North Carolina at Greensboro this fall.

Cullinan is the daughter of Douglas and Sharon Cullinan of 7904 Haymarket Lane, Raleigh, and a senior at Enloe High School. She intends to major in English and her career objective is journalism.

The Alumni Scholarship winners were announced last week as part of the UNC-G Competitive Awards Program. The Alumni Awards Program at UNC-G is funded by contributions from alumni and friends of the institution through the university's Annual Program.

At her school, Cullinan has served as business manager, news editor and editor-in-chief for Eagle's Eye, the student newspaper. She has played on the volleyball team since her sophomore year. She is a senior representative to the Enloe Executive Council. Cullinan attended Tar Heel Girls State at UNC-G during her junior year. She is a charter member of the Wake County Afrocentric Curriculum Committee. She helped produce the Enloe Dinner Theatre, in which Enloe students prepared and served a meal and then performed at area homeless shelters.

The Alumni Scholarship awarded to Cullinan is worth \$2,500 per year. The scholarships are renewable for up to three additional years of undergraduate study.