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Cherrelle, a consistent chartmaker as a soulful vocalist is stepping into new territory as co-executive producer with Tabu Records.

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Ms. Brenda J. McMichael realized a lifetime dream, combining her education and work experiences with Christian beliefs and values.

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Dr. Frederick Patterson, founder of United Negro College Fund received a Ph.D. in veterinary medicine in 1932 from Cornell University and served as president of Tuskegee Institute while

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Congressional Hearings

Churches Urge Investigation On Genocide

ST. HELENA ISLAND, S.C.—A unit of the National Council of Churches has called for congressional hearings to investigate conditions on the Sea Islands off the South Carolina coast that it says amounts to "systematic cultural genocide," and which include violations in the areas of civil rights, government operations and ecology.

One of a dozen recommendations, the call for hearings came on Oct. 2 as 25 members of the Prophetic Justice Unit Committee concluded a 2½-day fact-finding mission to three islands that are part of Beaufort County, S.C.: Hilton Head, Daufuskie and St.

Helena. The islands are part of a larger chain stretching from South Carolina stretching to northern Florida, where for hundreds of years a unique African-American culture has thrived, but where commercial development now threatens the existence of that way of life.

The committee's exposure to the reality of cultural genocide on the islands "is moving this issue to a position of high priority" among the many social issues that the Prophetic Justice Unit addresses, said Dr. Benjamin Chavis, Jr., chairperson of the committee, as he announced its findings at a news conference on St. Helena Island.

Responding to a reporter's question, Dr. Kenyon C. Burke, an NCC associate general secretary and director of PJU, made it clear that "We are not opposed to development, but justice demands that the indigenous people be included in planning its direction and that they reap some of the rewards."

Earlier, the group had heard Czerny Braswell of the Christic Institute South, a public interest law firm, address the importance of Sea Island culture. "As African-Americans we have been told we

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Helping Black Students

Separate, but Equal Education

DES MOINES, Iowa (AP)—Waterloo educators tried an experiment a year ago to help underachieving kids in third through fifth grades. Only boys were included. Only black boys.

The results aren't something most educators would brag about. Academic grades fell and the all-male academy ended for lack of funding.

But was it a failure? Far from it, according to sponsors. They're disappointed they don't have the money to do it again. It's the same sort of program that was blocked—under the glare of national media coverage—in Detroit for being sexist earlier this year.

"I think we made a difference," said Patti Kuebler, director of a community action program called Operation Threshold in Waterloo. "All of those students were supposed to be low-functioning, but you couldn't tell it in those classes."

Despite the grade performance, scores on basic achievement tests actually improved. Normally they don't improve regardless of the stimulus, according to Anne Federlein, director of the Regents Center for Early Developmental Education at the University of

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AFRICAN-AMERICAN FESTIVAL—Saint Augustine's College celebrated the second annual fall African-American Arts Festival recently with outstanding artist and writers from the Triangle area. Participants: Ms. Valerie Daye, poet, Leonard Moore, prize-winning poet and lecturer, Dr. Horace Caple, playwright and poet of Shaw University and Jaki Shelton Green, poet, and Ms. Ann Hunt Smith, vocalist and artist-in-residence for Wake County Schools. Also featured: an exhibit of paintings by Ms. Lynda Edwards.

Saint Augustine's College Plans Special Anniversary Convocation

Saint Augustine's College will convene a Special Convocation on Tuesday, November 5th, in the College's Emergy Gymnasium, beginning at 11 a.m.

The event is part of the St. Aug.'s year-long 125th Anniversary Celebration (the College was founded in 1867), a celebration which also pays tribute to Dr. Prezell R.

Robinson's twenty-five years as president of the historically black, four-year, coeducational, Episcopal-related institution of higher learning.

St. Aug.'s formal Opening Convocation for the 1991-92 academic year was held on October 10th. At that time, Karl G. Hudson, Jr., retired head of the Belk stores in the Triangle, and Dr. Frederick D. Burroughs, noted Raleigh pediatrician, were presented with the College's Distinguished Service Awards.

The purpose of November 5th's 125th Anniversary Special

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Corporate Support For Bicentennial Tops \$1.2 Million

Corporate support for the Raleigh Bicentennial celebration has topped the \$1.2 million mark, and an individual giving campaign has been launched to reach the overall goal of \$1.5 million. This is a celebration that occurs only once in a lifetime, and businesses have recognized this unique opportunity to be part of a significant piece of Raleigh's history. Cash and in-kind contributions through early October totaled about \$1.2 million.

Beginning Oct. 15, hundreds of Raleigh's citizens have received a personal invitation to participate in the Bicentennial and offer financial support. Issued by a special

recognition in the Official Bicentennial Program, prominent recognition in the Bicentennial time capsule, a scale model of the Bicentennial acorn, and a framed Sir Walter Raleigh Society Certificate. Contributions such as \$2,500 and \$1,000 also offer extensive benefits.

The committee hopes to have responses from all individual givers by early November, so that their names can be included on the list of benefactors to be prominently displayed in the Official Bicentennial Commemorative Magazine to be published next month.

On the corporate giving campaign, the Grand Patron category reflects

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committee co-chaired by Julia Daniels, Alice Eure, and Sherry Worth, the invitation offers several giving levels starting at \$5,000.

The invitation states, "The Raleigh Bicentennial will only happen once in our lifetime. It can be an event that pulls our whole community together—but only with your generosity. Thanks to your contribution, there will never be another Bicentennial Celebration like ours."

The \$5,000 contribution level entitles the donor to an invitation to a special event honoring major sponsors, a gold Bicentennial commemorative medallion, four complimentary tickets to all seven Bicentennial events, prominent

donations of at least \$100,000 cash. The Gold Patron indicates donations of \$50,000 or more. The City of Raleigh is the Bicentennial's sole Grand Patron, which provided the foundation with operating capital for the celebration. There are currently five Gold Patrons on board—Carolina Power and Light, Glaxo, Inc., SAS Institute, Inc., the News and Observer and WYLT-FM—whose contributions include both cash and in-kind donations.

CP&L has designated part of its cash contributions for the Neighborhoods celebration being planned throughout Raleigh and the remainder for general support. They

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Inside Africa

U.N. Session Blinks At Apartheid

BY DANIEL MAROLEN
UNITED NATIONS, N.Y.—The general debate of the newly opened

session of the United Nations General Assembly began with a whimper and a hush on the problem of apartheid in

South Africa. At the end of two weeks of the start of the session, about half of the delegates had taken part in the debate. Most of those delegations altogether omitted any mention of South Africa and its malevolent extremist racist policies of apartheid. Several other delegations made only scant mention of apartheid and only glossed over it. And a bare handful of the delegates went hammer and tong, slashing the undying racial system of apartheid with deep concern and oratory.

All the delegates' presentations were characterized by unanimity over the end of the Cold War and the re-emergence of a trend toward democracy that is currently sweeping over what used to be the USSR, and engulfing eastern Europe. There is also a unanimity on welcoming new delegations to the ranks of the world community of member nations at the UN and the desire for peace and harmony among the nations. But only a handful of delegates made heated debate against the seemingly unending South African problem of apartheid, which has deprived the indigenous population of that country of their human and citizenship rights ever since the beginning of white-black contact on the African continent. Ghana, Haiti, Burkina Faso and Swaziland were among the brave delegations who staunchly continue to stage a dour struggle to bring about an early end to white domination and apartheid in racist

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MISS NCCU—Alicia Ja Broadway of Kannapolis will be crowned as Miss North Carolina Central University for 1991-92 at 5 p.m. October 27 in B. N. Duke Auditorium. A reception will follow in the Alfonso Elder Student Union. Miss Broadway is the daughter of Harold and Barbara Broadway. She is a member of Alpha Kappa Mu Honor Society, the NCCU Student Government Association, the McLean Hall Dormitory Council, the NCCU Food Service Committee, the Eagle Yearbook Staff, and the NCCU Marching Band. She is a member of Alpha Chi chapter of Alpha Kappa Alpha Sorority. The new Miss NCCU is a senior political science major who is minoring in accounting. She plans a career as a corporate attorney.



ENSURING EQUALITY—On Oct. 26, the Raleigh-Apex branch of the NAACP will hold its annual radiothon from 4-7 p.m. on WAUG Radio at Saint Augustine's College. The Rev. H.B. Pickett, Jr., president of the chapter, aid the principal objective of the civil rights organization is to ensure equality. Pickett is shown with N.C. House Speaker Dan Blue and Ms. Evangeline Lamb, secretary of the branch exhibiting Pickett's life membership plaque.