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Tony Ferrell Case Settled For \$200,000

BY CASH MICHAELS
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One year ago on the night of Jan. 24, a quiet, clean-cut young man left work on his dinner break to drive home. Minutes later, he would be shot by a man with a gun, and, when the police arrived, they would pull him out of his car at gunpoint and accuse him of robbing a drug store.

The incident was the beginning of a controversial year for the Raleigh Police Department and the African-American community.

A year later, on the first anniversary of the Tony Farrell shooting, a settlement between Farrell and the City of Raleigh is imminent (as The CAROLINIAN went to press, no announcement of a formal settlement had been made, though one was expected).

While many people know by now that the "man with a gun" was plainclothes Raleigh Det. Jimmy Glover, few know how he came to be the man who shot Farrell in the leg.

According to papers related to the case seen by The CAROLINIAN, Det. Glover was driving his unmarked vehicle by the Rock Quarry Road exit of the Raleigh Beltline when he heard about the drug store

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New AKA Headquarters Opens...



NEW HOME—Alpha Theta Omega Chapter of AKA Sorority Inc.'s new assembly house pictured here is located beside the old home at 2325 Old Garner Road here in Raleigh. Pictured observing the beautiful landscape are left to right: Rosilyn H.

Taylor, 1991 Debutante Ball co-chairperson, and Paula Smith Sawyer, first vice-president. (Photo by James L. Giles)

AKA's Alpha Theta Omega Chapter Opens New Headquarters Building

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In its long and proud history of growth and service to the community, the 110-member Alpha Theta Omega Chapter of Alpha Kappa Alpha Sorority, Inc., has added yet another outstanding accomplishment... their new assembly house.

Last Saturday, in honor of their 64th Founders' Day celebration, the AKAs officially opened their new

activities," Ms. Barbara Thomas Flood, president of the chapter, told The CAROLINIAN. "That includes our meetings, and the activities connected with our annual Debutante Ball." The AKAs also sponsor a year-round tutorial program in the Walnut Terrace housing project.

Ms. Anita Davis Pearson, legal counsel to the local AKA chapter,

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Ms. Barbara Flood, President

headquarters building at 2335 Garner Road. The new one-story, quarter-million-dollar facility, located in the heart of Southeast Raleigh's African-American community, gives the chapter more room and a better opportunity to expand their volunteer service programs to those who really need them.

"We plan to use it for all of our

believes that the new edifice will serve as a symbol to the community of what African-Americans can do when they work together. "People in the community can see that the sorority is trying to give something back," she told The CAROLINIAN. "This new assembly building is just an example of a dream that has existed for some time. The fact that it can be realized simply through

Complaint Prompts Store To Post Check Cashing Policy

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A discount chain store has admitted to an illegal mistake, and now posts its full check acceptance policy, thanks to a Garner woman who complained to The CAROLINIAN.

When Ms. Alma Wiggins decided to stop in the Super 10 discount store on Raleigh Boulevard a few weeks ago to buy a pair of \$10 pants, she had no idea that she was about to cause a problem.

Everything seemed to be routine when she brought her purchase to the cash register, until she started to write a check for it. She had her driver's license and a major credit card to show as the store policy sign by the registers required. But then, the cashier told her that she would need to see Ms. Wiggins' car registration and license tag number.

"You have to do what?" a shocked

Ms. Wiggins asked. "That's not in your store policy," she told the cashier, pointing toward the sign. But the cashier insisted that because of the high degree of bad checks the store has received, the additional identification was required. Ms. Wiggins refused to write the check, and refused to purchase the pants... but she did promise that she would be back.

When she came back several days later, it was not alone. Ms. Wiggins had already gone to the other two Super 10 stores in Raleigh to see if they had similar additional check acceptance policies, and they didn't. Both the Person Street and Poole Road stores required only a driver's license and major credit card for ID (though none of the stores accept credit cards for purchases).

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people forging ahead and working together... that's been part of what we've been all about all along. Through sisterhood, and hard work, and working together, dreams can be realized. That's one thing that we want to pass on to the future generation."

Ms. Flood said the key reason for the new building was that the previous headquarters were too small, hindering many of the efforts to carry out some of the programs assigned by the national organization.

In the planning stages for three years and paid for by the membership, the new AKA assembly house was constructed by Ward and Hardy Contractors. It has a main meeting room that seats 300 people, that can

be divided in half. The facility also has several offices for chapter officers, work rooms, a kitchen and lounge area, and of course, pictures and memorabilia of the chapter's proud past.

Ms. Thelma Anders and Ms. Mertie Batey were co-chairpersons of the building project, and Ms. Mary Aldridge was the publicity officer.

The theme for Saturday's Founders' Day ceremony was "Continuing Traditions," where local officers and members were honored for their work during the past year. Special recognition was given to members who have served for as many as 50 years. A special skit focusing on the history of the AKAs was an added feature of the affair.

Parents Ponder If Catholic Schools Can Better Educate

America's parochial schools have often served as a reproach to the troubled public ones in their communities. Unburdened by the bureaucracy and lethargy that bedevil most big-city school systems, and with a tradition of emphasizing discipline and academic rigor, they have generally been able to turn out better graduates, while often spending less than half the money per pupil, according to a new campaign for Catholic Schools Week.

The Roman Catholic Church, worried about declining enrollments and hopeful about the emerging political sentiment to allow public school parents greater choice in where they send their children, has launched the most extensive marketing campaign ever for its brand of education. Billboards, banners and posters will be blanketing the nation with the message.

The campaign calls the schools "the best-kept secret in the United States." It touts the parochial schools' discipline and lack of bureaucracy as potential models for public schools seeking to conquer the problems of drugs, violence, lax standards and low morale.

Catholic Schools Week will be

celebrated Jan. 26-Feb. 1 of this year. The theme, "Discover Catholic Schools," was chosen to encourage parents, Catholics and the public in general, to learn more about their local Catholic schools. Schools in Raleigh include Cathedral School and Cardinal Gibbons.

"Our Catholic school leaders recognize that now is the time to tell their story of success as the entire nation is struggling with the need for educational reform," said Catherine T. McNamee, National Catholic Education Association president. Statistics which are stressed are that only three percent of Catholic high-school students drop out, compared with a national average of 14 percent; studies show that Catholic school graduates are more likely to attend and support the church; they also demonstrate greater concern for others and become involved in the community. Further, more than 95 percent of Catholic secondary students graduate and 83 percent go on to college.

Dr. Robert Kealey, executive director, NCEA Elementary School Department, adds that more and more parents are selecting Catholic schools for their young children.

Bush Policy On Race-Based Scholarships Won't Affect

GREENSBORO (AP)—The Bush administration's new policy on race-based scholarships won't stop North Carolina students from receiving state grants aimed at integrating colleges.

The new ruling only allows colleges to use race as a factor in awarding scholarships when the grants are meant to correct past discrimination or increase campus diversity or when the money comes from private donors.

North Carolina's Minority Presence Grant program should not be affected, said George Antonelli, a special programs administrator at the University of North Carolina.

That's good news for students like Wendy Wood.

"Any help is better than none at all," said Ms. Wood, a white student at predominantly black N.C. A&T State University in Greensboro. Ms. Wood receives about \$480 a year from the minority presence program.

The program provides financial assistance to white students at predominantly black schools and to black students at predominantly white schools.

The grants were designed to diversify the state's public colleges as part of a settlement between North Carolina and the former U.S. Department of Health, Education and Welfare.

"The majority of middle-class white people probably felt that that only affected minorities, meaning blacks," Ms. Wood said. "They don't understand there are some white students at black schools, and white students are getting these scholarships."

At the system's five predominantly black schools, white students must be enrolled for at least three semester hours and show financial need, said John Smith, A&T's admissions director. Black students must meet the same criteria at the 11 predominantly white UNC schools.

White students received 48 percent of the 3,055 minority presence grants awarded in 1989-90. The controversy over race-based scholarships began in 1990 when assistant secretary of education Michael Williams told Fiesta Bowl advisors their plan to offer \$200,000 in minority scholarships would be discriminatory.

The Bush administration altered Williams' decision, allowing race-based scholarships to be offered as long as federal funds were not used. But the administration changed its policy again in December.

Enrollment has increased in preschool (up 187 percent since 1982) and kindergarten (up 16 percent). Additionally, Catholic school enrollment increased in 24 states during the 1990-91 school year.

To some extent, the statistical comparisons are unfair. The public systems are required to serve, at tremendous cost, students with severe learning disabilities, physical handicaps and discipline problems. In addition, public schools must take everyone, whereas the children in Catholic schools tend to be from families motivated to find them a good education.

The NCEA has announced the recipients of 1992 NCEA Catholic Elementary School Distinguished Graduate Awards. Ms. Dorothy York London of Raleigh was named this year's distinguished graduate of Cathedral School. She will be honored by the Rev. Gerald L. Lewis during the open house festivities on Jan. 29, for her efforts in promoting Catholic education.

Local Catholic schools are holding open houses and other activities during this period to acquaint the

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NEWS BRIEFS

MOM CHARGED WITH TRADING GIRL FOR FOOD

Durham police have charged the mother of a young girl allegedly molested at the Salvation Army shelter last year with selling her daughter into prostitution in exchange for food, clothing and furniture. Lolita A. Woods, 30, was arrested during the weekend and charged with felony child abuse.

BUSH DELAYS REGULATIONS

The White House plans to announce a 90-day moratorium on implementing a wide array of new regulations as part of President Bush's effort to help the slumping economy, administration officials said.

SCHOOL DAY MAY GET 30 MINUTES LONGER

The idea of adding 30 more minutes to the school day has been gathering steam with the State Board of Education, and now a majority of the board members say they want to require the change by next fall or a year later.

ECKERD TO CLOSE REVCO

The Jack Eckerd Corp. probably will probably close at least 15 Revco drugstores in the Triangle as part of a \$1 billion buyout of the Twinsburg, Ohio, chain. The purchase would solidify Eckerd's position as a dominant player in the retail drug market in the Triangle but would leave a void in many shopping centers.

NEW PROMOTION

Vernon Garrett has been promoted to vice president and Sara T. Barefoot has been elected operations officer for Wachovia Bank of North Carolina, Raleigh. These announcements were made by Thomas A. Bennett, eastern division executive, following a meeting of the Wachovia Board.

Garrett joined Wachovia in 1968 in Charlotte as a computer operator. He served as shift supervisor for data processing in both the Charlotte and Raleigh operations centers from 1969 until 1985

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