

ELVIA WALKER

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and that children should not be brought up too fast. But she also stresses that children should be supported strongly by parents and teachers alike.

The strong yet sensitive touch, the mark of an educator who cares about the welfare of students. That was the legacy of Irmis Estes, and he would be proud to know that the traditions continue with Elvia Walker.

HATE GROUPS

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stream elections.

Davis-McCoy cited a Christian Knights rally held in Dallas in October 1991, where speakers compared their group to the NAACP and disclaimed the label of "hate group," saying they are not anti-black, just pro-white.

"This is a public relations ploy," Davis-McCoy said. "This is the face hate-groups are using in the 1990s. The mainstream political arena is much easier to negotiate with this soft sell."

According to Daniel Assael, NCARRV research director, candidates like David Duke and Patrick Buchanan enjoyed wide support from members of Klan and Nazi organizations in North Carolina in 1991.

"The slogans are softer than they're used to, but they understand the message," Assael said. The softer slogans, however, also generate wider support. This merging of racist-right and far-right constituencies under well-crafted propaganda has mobilized a range of supremacist groups, he said.

Assael said that in 1991, a group called the Populist Party, made up of many former and present Klan and neo-Nazi leaders, met four times in North Carolina. "They don't wear sheets at Populist Party meetings," Assael said. "But there they all are, running candidates like former Knights of the Ku Klux Klan leader David Duke (1988) and listening to speeches about the importance of putting away the sheets and toning down the rhetoric."

According to the report, however, the Klan hasn't exactly given up terrorizing citizens. NCARRV's 1991 report also describes and documents 58 incidents of harassment, vandalism, illegal cross burnings, killings, assaults, and even a foiled bomb-making plot in Guilford County, all motivated, they say, by racist, anti-Semitic, or anti-gay bias—many with documented Klan involvement.

The report also highlights incidents of violence between law enforcement and citizens, noting a rising trend in the number of deaths where family members or community leaders have charged police with excessive use of force.

The report documents 19 cases in 1991, where charges of excessive use of force were made. In six of these incidents, the victims were killed. Of the victims, two were unarmed, one may have been armed with a hammer (disputed), one was armed with a highway patrol trooper's flashlight, one was armed with a toy gun and one had an unloaded gun.

According to the report, questions of excessive use of force in the latter two cases stem not from the notion that police should have known that the victims' weapons were inoperable, but because the victims were shot four times and six times, respectively. The victim reportedly armed with the flashlight was shot four times. The victim who police charge was armed with a hammer was shot four times. Two of the victims were shot in front of their own homes. Five of the victims were African-Americans.

The report notes that action by state government and the courts

has made some headway combating bigoted violence in the state. In 1991, an amendment was passed allowing judges to consider racial, religious or ethnic intimidation when sentencing individuals convicted of a crime. Another new law establishes "ethnic intimidation" as a crime. Under another amendment, the state's Human Relations Commission may now bring civil suit on behalf of a victim of racial, religious, or ethnic intimidation.

"These actions are encouraging, but they are not enough," Davis-McCoy said. "North Carolina is a troubled society within the arena of multicultural relations and communication." Davis-McCoy called on government leaders to publicly go on record against doctrines of hatred and bigotry, thereby sending strong messages of resistance to Klan groups who seek to march in communities around the state. She also called on the state's attorney general to work with telephone companies to restrict the operation of Klan telephone message lines and to expedite the strategy, design, and training program North Carolina needs to implement the Federal Hate Crimes Statistics Act passed in 1990.

To address root causes of bigotry in our state, Davis-McCoy said work must continue in our schools, urging training in multiculturalism for teachers and school administrators.

NEW HORIZONS

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Damon Siler stated, "During role-playing I learned how to approach a young lady by being polite, and how to properly ask for a date."

TaTa Smith, a Carnegie Middle School student, stated, "I learned a great deal about etiquette." Kengie Bass nodded in agreement.

The first session was an introductory session. The young people were given the opportunity to meet staff, other participants, offer suggestions for future sessions and hear what was expected of them. The second session consisted of a panel of parents discussing and sometimes debating issues like parents' expectations vs. teenagers' expectations; parents' dating years vs. teenagers dating now; and sex-related issues.

The third session was devoted to grooming, and the fourth was devoted to etiquette and role-playing. The final session was the reward for all the hard work shown by the young people. The project coordinators provided corsages and boutonnières and treated the group to dinner at Mountain Jack's Restaurant on Feb. 15.

Ms. Pittman stated, "Our young people have a lot to say to people who are willing to listen to them. In planning programs, let them offer their assistance and they will surely show more sense of ownership."

"It is amazing how much we as adults can learn from our youth if we only give them the opportunity. The YWCA and the Girl Scouts have come together to offer joint programming to show the importance of organizations working together for the same cause. They are both committed to helping our most valuable resource—our youth."

LUCILLE HUNTER

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Hunter School history:

• Hunter Elementary School on Davis Street is currently a magnet school.

• Public executions were formerly held on the site.

• The school was named for Lucille Hunter, a teacher who had died the previous year. Black teachers and former students had petitioned the school board to ask that the school bear her name.

• Very little is known about her, except that she was an outstanding teacher and loved to recite poetry, especially "Little Brown Baby" by Paul Laurence Dunbar.

• Hunter remained a black school for 44 years, until integration in 1971. Its second phase was as an integrated sixth-grade center, followed by a third phase as a magnet elementary school. It offered 123 electives during the 1990-91 school year.

• Dorothy Lane, 93, is one of the original teaching staff.

• Raleigh residents John Thompson Moore, Dr. Chris Hunt, and Broadus Cox were students at Hunter when the school opened, and former Mayor Clarence Lightner attended Hunter for two years. His mother was in charge of the Hunter cafeteria. All four have vivid recollections of their years at Hunter.

• Andria Fields, a student at Hunter in the 1950s, now teaches third grade there.

• Teachers were required to visit students' homes unannounced.

• Parents considered school extended family and most parents were not opposed to corporal punishment administered as needed.

• During the Depression, teachers would give food, clothing, and sometimes money to needy students.

• William W. Hurdle was principal of Hunter for 21 years, which included a devastating fire, integration and the sixth-grade center. He discussed his tenure at Hunter with author Iris Vinegar about three weeks before his death.

• Dr. Robert Bridges, former superintendent of Wake County Schools, was hired by Hurdle for his first teaching job at Hunter.

• The fire in 1965 destroyed half the school, including a 600-seat auditorium. It was set by two students who broke into the school at night.

The second event will kick off next month. For more information, contact Ms. Pittman at 834-7386 or Michelle McDonald at 782-3021.

HOUSING

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ing assistance. A curriculum was developed to empower the residents. Ms. Ramos serves as advocate for the program participants in their attempts to secure services.

Several vital components of the program are academic skills enhancement and communication skills enhancement. The Women's Center is presenting a series of personal development workshops. All sessions will be evaluated by the program participants to ensure the methods are effective. Ms. Ramos attempts to evaluate the various needs of the residents and develop techniques of addressing them. Our primary approach is to bring services into their neighborhood and foster better community involvement.

TAMMY LYNN

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Two Hannover Square on Fayetteville Street Mall in Raleigh. There, an unfinished office floor donated by York Hannover, Inc. and Craig Davis Properties, Inc., is beginning to take on the characteristics of a flower-filled "Child's Garden." The only thing that remains to be done is for everyone to have a great time at this once-a-year food extravaganza.

Thirty restaurants, caterers and purveyors are donating their time, energy, fine food and beverages for the annual event that benefits the Tammy Lynn Center.

An all-volunteer committee from Raleigh, Chapel Hill, Durham, Cary and Waynesville have been working together to ensure that proceeds of the 1992 event surpass each of the past six "Toast to the Triangle" events. Raffle tickets, at \$5 each, were available through the mailed invitations, from committee members, and will again be available on March 1 at the door.

Raffle items include round-trip airfare for two to Cancun, Mexico, courtesy of American Airlines; two season tickets to the North Carolina Theater, courtesy of the North Carolina Theater; four tickets to Carowinds, courtesy of Carowinds; and a Mudcats ticket package with baseball caps, courtesy of the Mudcats.

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All corporate contributors will be listed in the "A Toast to the Triangle" souvenir program. From 5 p.m. to 8 p.m. on Sunday, March 1, nearly 600 people will participate in a food-extravaganza gala to be held on the seventh floor of the building in downtown Raleigh.

WILLIAMSTON WHISTLINGS

BY JOYCE GRAY

WILLIAMSTON—The Martin County Democratic Women's agenda for their winter meeting included the installation of the 1992 officers. Outgoing president Ms. Mary R. Andrews complimented the ladies on their splendid support during her administration and welcomed the new president, inviting one Robert Haislip to offer the opening prayer.

Cotten Rawls, county commissioner, was on hand to witness his wife, Elise, being sworn in as a vice president. He took the opportunity to announce his intention to file for re-election.

The officers were installed by Ms. Mary K. Wynne, former clerk of court. They are Ms. Helen G. Edwards, president; Ms. Francine Bond, Ms. Elise Rawls and Ms. Patricia Moore as vice presidents; Ms. Gloria Jones as secretary and Ms. Phyllis G. Pearson as treasurer.

Everyone was encouraged to pay their 1992 membership dues, and some did so promptly to the treasurer. However, the president has the privilege of appointing chairpersons.

Ms. Patricia Moore was chairperson of the nominating committee. In County Commission chairman Daniel Bowen's absence, his wife, Linda, stated he would be seeking re-election also.

Forgetting where I put some notes seems to be the norm very often these days and the extra pains these two months certainly haven't helped any. So, finally, I came across the one with William Gibson of Georgia on it. He came to town to help his friend, John Shannon-house's, family cut their meat when the hogs were slaughtered a couple of weeks ago. I do apologize to Gibson, whose last name I could not remember when writing my previous article. How well I know some of his friends who read that issue would be commenting about it.

And I must say, I have run into several folks on my few trips out to town these past two weeks whom I had not seen for months. They, of course, were filled with many questions concerning my well-being. It must have been a total shock to them to see how quiet the "big mouth" was, and when I did must enough breath to ask if I could sell a copy of *THE CAROLINIAN*, did I see how fast the questions could be curtailed! Love you folks just the same. Just don't intend to strain my voice or use it unwisely. Want to stay in shape to do some of the things I'm used to doing for myself.

While I'm confessing and some say, "It's good for the soul," I remember writing an article about Ms. Gloria Moore's son-in-law who was visiting her and doing some cooking which consisted of recipes from his native country, Ghana, and having the dinners ready when she arrived home at the end of each work day. I remember specifically because she had misspelled "Ghana" and I had had a session with my grandson on the countries in Africa a few weeks prior to that conversation with Ms. Moore.

She asked me about the article when I took her *CAROLINIAN* to her and I could only say at the time: I know I wrote it but could not say what had happened that it wasn't printed. So please bear with me at this time, as never before.

Services were conducted on Jan. 25 for the late James Edward "Fat" Williams at the United Holy Church of Deliverance. Rev. Jerome Wilson officiated.

Earthly life ended for Mr. Williams in Pitt Memorial Hospital, Greenville, on Jan. 17.

He was born in Williamston on March 31, 1927 to the late Azariah and Maniza Williams.

On June 1, 1946, he married the former Ms. Emmalean Clemmons and to this union three children were born.

For many years, "Fat," as he was fondly called, was employed by Rodgers Warehouse and Williamston Peanut Co.

Left to cherish his memory are his wife, Emmalean, of Stamford, Conn.; one daughter, Ms. Emma Davis of Norwalk, Conn.; three sons, James E. of Boston, Mass., William E. of the home, and Carl of Germany; four sisters, Ms. Dorothy Griffins, Ms. Marybell Hines, and Ms. Shirley Jones of Williamston and Ms. Channy Hagans of Hamp-

The event is open to the general public. Tickets will be available at the door for \$35 per person. All proceeds of the gala will benefit the Tammy Lynn Center for developmentally handicapped children and adults in Wake County.

ton, Va.; one aunt, Ms. Van R. Peele of Williamston; three uncles, Pete M. Williams, Warren Reddick and John E. Reddick, all of Williamston; a very close friend, Ms. Colleen Deans of Williamston; 14 grandchildren and 11 great-grandchildren, and a host of other relatives and friends who will greatly miss him.

Services were entrusted to Manson Mortuary, 412 Washington St., Williamston, and interment was in the Andrews Memorial Park cemetery.

Expressions of sympathy are extended to the family of the late John Benjamin Bell. Life ended, after many weeks of suffering, on Monday, Jan. 27, for "J.B.," as he was often called.

He was born in Martin County to the late Eli Bell and Ms. Tina Bell, who survives.

A retired serviceman, Bell returned to Williamston during the mid-70s and opened the J&B's Restaurant at 113 Wilson St. there.

Survivors other than his loving mother are: one brother, William Bell of the home; three sisters, Ms. Gloria Meredith of Washington, D.C., Ms. Fannie Pearl Bell of New York, N.Y. and Ms. Hazel Spruill of Durham, and a host of cousins and friends. Smith Community Funeral Home was in charge of the remains.

Robert Crowe, local barber of Everetts, expired on Saturday, Feb. 1.

Ms. Cleator Boston Cordon, 72, was given an earthly farewell on Saturday, Feb. 1, at Mt. Carmel Church of Christ, Jamesville. Elder William T. Collins officiated.

She succumbed on Wednesday, Jan. 28, after a lengthy illness.

Ms. Cordon was born in Martin County on Jan. 20, 1920 to the late Lonnie and Ursula James Boston. She attended Martin County public schools, and at an early age joined Union Town Church of Christ, Jamesville.

In 1934, she joined Mt. Carmel Church of Christ, where she served on the Deaconess board for many years. She was also elected as the youngest mother of the Mother Board.

On March 18, 1934, she married William J. Cordon and they became parents of four beautiful children. They touched the lives of many together, she with her radiant smile, giving of love and her outspokenness.

Now cherishing precious memories of this lady are her husband, William Cordon; Son, James H. Cordon of Springfield Gardens, N.Y.; three daughters, Ms. Daisy C. Frazier of Jamesville, Ms. Eva C. Thomas of Detroit, Mich., and Ms. Eula C. Moore of Petersburg, Va.; one brother, Nathaniel Boston of Bronx, N.Y.; nine grandchildren, six great-grandchildren, three great-great-grandchildren; one aunt, Ms. Mary James Pierce of Jamesville; three sons-in-law, Wesley Frazier, Lonnie Moore and Leo Thomas; one daughter-in-law, Virginia Pierce Cordon; and a host of nieces, nephews, other relatives and friends.

Assisting with the scripture reading was Bishop Daniel Boston.

Ms. Shirley Simpson sang a solo. Ms. Carolyn Manning made acknowledgements and recognition.

Interment was in the Cordon family cemetery, Jamesville, with services entrusted to Manson Mortuary of Williamston.

"I Have a Dream," the theme for the black history program sponsored by Magellan Duggins at Bethlehem AME Zion Church, Feb. 2, proved to be an exciting 1-1/2 hours.

The church was nearly filled with friends of Duggins from surrounding churches and he seemed very happy at the response.

Introducing the speaker, Ronnie Dickerson, was Ms. Bernadette Rodgers. Giving the statement of the occasion was this writer and Deacon George Joyner offered the memorial prayer.

Musical selection was rendered by the Gospel Singers, whose youngest member was Eboni Dickerson. Joe Purvis was the only male with the singers, and they sang several songs which were only highly appreciated by the congregation.

The General Baptist State convention Week sponsored by the Middle Ground Association will be held at the Roanoke Tabernacle, Gold Point, Feb. 24-March 1. The theme will be "Come Over Into Macedonia and Help Us."

Sponsoring churches will be Sycamore Chapel, St. Matthew, Belmont, Christ Temple, St. Mark and Barnasha Chapel on Monday night; Cedar Hill, Zion Hill, Long Ridge, Mayo Chapel and Lily of the

Valley on Tuesday night; Conetoe Chapel, Chapel Hill, Weeping Mary, Sandy Point and Antioch on Wednesday; Poplar Point, Olive Branch, Pine Chapel Lily of the Valley and Lynch Chapel on Thursday; Wynn's Chapel, Rock Hill, New Fellowship, St. John Stokes, and St. James on Friday; Willow Chapel, Roberson Baptist, St. Paul, Macedonia, Second Zion Grove and Reed's Chapel on Saturday night.

The Rev. Walter Cherry is moderator. Rev. W.V. Pridgett, vice moderator and Rev. Herman Young is the recording secretary.

Sermons will be delivered by ministers each night and listed are: Rev. Sammy Fields, Rev. F.C. Mitchell, Rev. Leary Heath, Rev. Brady Carmack, Rev. James Lindsey and Rev. Gregory Black.

Happy birthday greetings to Harry Reaspas, Ms. Christine Manning, Master D. Vaughn Hopkins and William T. King, Jr.

On the sick and shut-in list: Ms. Annie Lee, Ms. Betty S. Lanier, Ms. Grace P. Smithwick, Alton Bell, Ms. Rachel H. Lyons, Ms. Marie Biggs, Sam Brown, Ms. Daisy H. Biggs, Frederick Bennett, Joe Biggs, Ms. Christine Council, Herman Johnson, Mr. and Mrs. James Marxiner, Mr. and Mrs. George T. Hyman, Jesse Bell, Ms. Roxie West, George Anthony Perry, Ms. Lucy P. Brown, Calvin Rodgers, Raymond Rease, Thomas Hill, Ms. Devie Hill, Ms. Doris R. Duggins, David B. Feggins, Mr. and Mrs. Chester Peele, Ms. Rosa Best, Ms. Annabel Best, Ms. Mattie H. Perry, Ms. Karen F. White, Ms. Della M. Moore, Ms. Hattie Spell, and Ms. Leda Duggins.

Ms. Pauline Brown, Ms. Esther Roberts and Ms. Katrina M. Mitchell in Plymouth.

Ms. Eva Satterthwaite, Ms. Elizabeth Wilkins and Rudolph Wilkins in Roper.

Time and energy do not permit my sharing with you the rest of the County Commissioners' meeting I attended today. So some detail will be shared with you later.

OBITUARIES

EPSY RICHBURG

Epsy Richburg, 88, of 1110 Parker St., died Feb. 11. Funeral services were held Feb. 17 at First Cosmopolitan Baptist Church. Burial followed in Mount Hope Cemetery.

Surviving are foster daughter, Dorothy B. Errios of Riverside, Calif.; foster sons, Willie Reynolds and Willie F. Ludley, both of Raleigh; sister, Vina Mae Farmers of Washington, D.C.; brothers, Samuel Richburg of Summerton, S.C. Turner Richburg of Washington, D.C.; several nieces and nephews.

Arrangements were by Haywood Funeral Home.

MS. MARGARET B. WILSON

Ms. Margaret B. Wilson, 52, of 609 Grantland Drive, died Feb. 15. Funeral services were held Feb. 19 at Lea Funeral Home Chapel. Burial followed in Bassel Creek Church cemetery.

Surviving are daughters, Sherry Wilson and Sheila Perry, both of Raleigh; sons, Terry Jones and Marcell Wilson, both of Raleigh; sisters, Runell Whitaker of Holly Springs, Marionette Lawrence of New York; brother, Charlie Balleentine, of New York; and four grandchildren.

Arrangements were handled by Lea Funeral Home.

MS. CHRISTINE T. FAISON

Ms. Christine T. Faison, 509 Glenwood Towers, died Feb. 6. Funeral services were held Feb. 11 at Wake Baptist Grove Church. Burial followed in the church cemetery.

Surviving are sisters, Ms. Geneva T. Johnson, Ms. Virginia T. Archibald and Ms. Elizabeth T. Jiles, all of Raleigh; brothers, Bennie L. Tomlinson of Richmond, Va. and Lewis E. Tomlinson of Raleigh.

Arrangements were handled by Lightner Funeral Home.

WILLIE HENDERSON

Willie Henderson, 83, of 1211 S. Bloodworth St., died Feb. 7. Funeral services were held Feb. 13 at Martin Street Baptist Church. Burial followed in Hillcrest Cemetery.

Surviving is a son, Raymond "Dr. Jocko" Henderson of Detroit, Mich. Arrangements were by Lightner Funeral Home.

IDEAS

Ideas are like beards: Men do not have them until they grow up. Anonymous

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