

**Doctor Of Theology**

Joseph P. Dempsey, retired educator and visiting lecturer has been awarded the Doctor of Theology degree at Jacksonville Theological Seminary, Jacksonville, Fla.

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**Sister Act**

Whoopi Goldberg's "Sister Act," a new comedy, boasts an exciting companion soundtrack featuring vocal performances by the star, along with several classics from the past.

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One of the last slave ships to bring captive Africans to the United States was the Wanderer, which sailed from West Africa in 1859. West Africa was a major port for the slave trade to the Caribbean, Brazil and the Americas.

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**Task Force Says No To Crabtree Teen Jobs**

BY CASH MICHAELS  
Staff Writer

Would you allow your child to work someplace where he was allegedly targeted for discrimination?

That's the question members of the Crabtree II Task Force are asking the African-American community in the wake of reports that Crabtree Valley Mall, the scene of racial tension through the years, is

now trying to hire African-American teenagers for the summer.

Three years ago, Crabtree officials attempted to have city public service from the African-American community cut off on Saturday afternoons to stem alleged "black teen crime." Not only did the city refuse, but African-American teens staged a picket and boycott.

Last January, 16-year-old

Lorenzo McKoy was beaten by Crabtree security officers after he was told to leave the mall for allegedly loitering. A city investigation alleged that mall security had an unwritten policy that unfairly targeted black teenagers who came to the mall. McKoy was acquitted in Wake District Court of any criminal wrongdoing, and may still file a civil suit against Crabtree.

Despite the efforts of many, these highly charged issues have never really been resolved between the mall and the African-American community.

Now Crabtree, reportedly in conjunction with the City of Raleigh's Human Resources Department (the same city agency that investigated the mall during the McKoy case), invited several selected black teenagers and their parents

to the Garner Road YMCA Thursday afternoon for a session about youth summer employment.

According to one parent (who asked not to be identified), there were 25 to 30 youth, with about seven or eight black parents present. The teens were told that the merchants were eager to have them come and work, so they should take the applications, fill them out, and bring them back the

following Monday.

When the parent challenged the Crabtree spokesman (a black man) about the outstanding racial issues existing, she claims he "got defensive" and tried to skirt around the issue. She also wondered why neither Crabtree's management nor community relations committee has officially contacted any of the African-American orga-

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**NAACP Convention To Honor Past Work And Prepare For The Future**

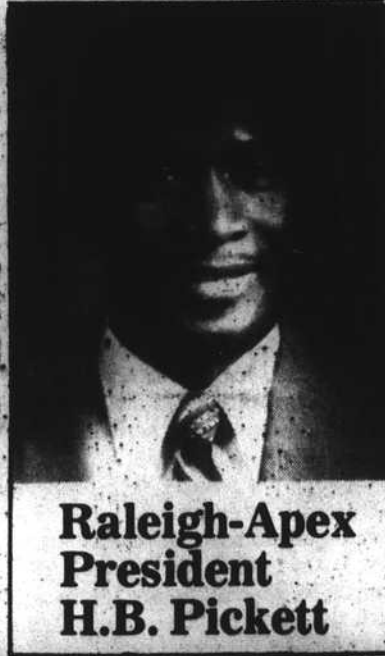
"Honoring Our Past, Fulfilling Our Present, Preparing for Our Future" has been selected as the theme for the NAACP's 83rd annual convention to be held July 11-16 at the Nashville Convention Center, Nashville, Tenn. Dr. Benjamin L. Hooks, executive director/CEO has announced.

The convention is expected to attract more than 20,000 persons including Rev. H.B. Pickett, president of the Raleigh-Apex Chapter, who will lead a delegation of eight from his chapter.

This year's theme reflects the NAACP's continued recognition of the monumental work the association has done throughout its 83 years of existence as well as the outstanding work that its more than 1,800 branches nationwide are doing in preparing African-Americans for the challenges that they will face by the year 2000.

The five-day convention will provide a forum for dialogue and dis-

cussion by notables from the worlds of civil rights, politics, government, labor, the church, the



Raleigh-Apex President H.B. Pickett

arts and other areas to discuss issues of importance to the nation's African-American communities.

The convention will also showcase a number of NAACP sponsored programs such as the Back-to-School/Stay-in-School program and ACT-SO (Afro-Academic, Cultural, Technological and Scientific Olympics), which annually provides incentives to achieve scholastic excellence for more than 25,000 students in grades nine through 12 from across the nation.

The convention will also feature exhibits by more than 200 nationally known corporations and items produced by many outstanding minority vendors.

More than 1,000 African-American students from across the nation will showcase their talents as they compete for gold, silver and bronze medals and more than \$300,000 in scholarship prizes during final ACT-SO competitions

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JUBILATION -- On the last day of school at Lucille Hunter GT Elementary, class members of Daniels, Fites and Gupton are shown doing their version of a "school closing celebration" dance. (Photo by James Giles)

**Scams, Frauds & Swindles**

BY SHEHETTIZI WOODLEY  
Staff Writer

Are blacks more likely than whites to be conned by fraudulent loan brokers?

According to Jean Ann Wolhar, consumer protection specialist of the Consumer Protection Section of the attorney general's office—yes.

"Of the total number of cases that we know about, more blacks [than whites] are swindled. And sometimes the loan brokers themselves have been black," Wolhar said.

"We had complaints from people who were supposed to get a loan, and they got absolutely nothing," she said.

A loan broker will place an ad in a newspaper or simply speak to someone face-to-face in an effort to get people to pay anywhere from \$69 to \$99 for a loan approval, she said.

Referring to two national loan brokerage companies operating in this area, Wolhar said, "I don't know of one person who has gotten a loan."

Although her office has received a higher number of complaints from blacks than whites, Wolhar said Carolinians in general need to be aware of the various scams operating in this area.

The most prevalent complaint her office receives is from people who say that they have been swindled by automobile mechanics, she said.

Wolhar said people complain that their cars were improperly fixed, received unauthorized work or simply had parts stolen from them.

She said "900-number" scams are pervasive in the Raleigh area and throughout the nation.

The people who fall victim 900-number schemes are the ones who can least afford it. They need credit and they can't get it, so they call a 900 number offering credit to anyone.

However, she said, the call might

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**The People Speak**



ROBI ROBERTS

I feel considering Bill Clinton's unstable relationship with the African-American community, that it would be to Clinton's advantage to choose Jesse Jackson as his running mate. This selection would solidify the African-American community's confidence in Clinton's commitment to the needs of the African-American community and would probably gain Clinton majority support of the African-Americans in the country.

**Briefing: Arkansas Gov. Bill Clinton has won the majority of Democratic primaries and it has become evident that he will be the Democrats' nominee for the presidency. However, the question of who will be chosen as his running mate still remains. Jesse Jackson, a civil rights activist and 1984 presidential candidate, has publicly said that he should be chosen and indicated that he may not endorse the Democratic ticket unless he's on it. The CAROLINIAN asked if Jackson should be chosen as Clinton's running mate and this was the response:**



YANA RICHBURG

Yes, he should be Bill Clinton's running mate because he probably can help out with things that Mr. Clinton may not be able to handle and he may be able to help out with racism problems.



LESLIE QUIQUESS

I don't really know what Mr. Jackson's positions are on different subjects, so I can't say if I think he should be Bill Clinton's running mate. However, I believe Mr. Jackson would be a positive influence on the black community and bring out the political views for us.



CHARLES BURRELL

If Jesse Jackson was selected as Bill Clinton's running mate, it would give black citizens a more strong voice in the government. He was proven to be a worthy running mate.

**Campbell Trumps Mayor**

It has been another embarrassing episode in the continuing drama of why people say city government is so out of touch with the community. But it provided District C City Councilman Ralph Campbell, Jr. the perfect opportunity to seize the moment.

The issue: the city sign ordinance, and the specific language outlawing the displaying of flags other than those representing a city, state or country. That meant car dealerships, flower shows, or even homeowners could not display a flag that did not represent some form of government.

So what should have remained a petty issue turned into a major controversy when a Baptist church was told it had to take its Christian flag down to comply with the ordinance. Church leaders said their flag with the Christian cross on it was a symbol of their faith, on their property. The city said it was against the law and it had to come down.

Even Mayor Avery C. Upchurch failed to read the First Amend-

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**COMMUNITY CALENDAR**

**FEATURED ARTIST**

The work of Greensboro artist Vandorn Hinnant will be featured in the gallery of the North Carolina State University African-American Cultural Center through Aug. 15. The center gallery is located in the University Student Center Annex at the corner of Dan Allen Drive and Cates Avenue.

The display, "Ten Years of Vandorn Hinnant: 1982-1992," includes 21 sculpture works and paintings that the artist describes as "inner landscapes."

**MINORITY WOMEN**

The Women of Color Network will hold bi-monthly free discussions concerning the unique demands and challenges of minority women at work, at home and in the community.

The month of June focuses on stress, its causes and cures. The network conducts discussions the second and fourth Tuesdays each month between 7 and 8 p.m.

Discussions are held at the Women's Center, 128 E. Hargett St. (Montague Building) in Raleigh.

**COMMUNITY VIOLENCE PREVENTION FORUM**

The Male Alliance for Life Extension is sponsoring "Stop the Madness... End the Sadness," a series of community violence prevention forums to discuss the causes of and solutions to the rise in violence within our community. The forum is an opportunity for the public to share their experiences, opinions, and ideas with local leaders and decision-makers in our community. The first forum will be held on Saturday, June 20, from 8:30 a.m. to 1 p.m. in the auditorium of the Fine Arts Center on the campus of St. Augustine's College. The second forum will be held the following Saturday, June 27, in the International Studies Building located on the Shaw University campus, Smithfield Street, from 8:30 a.m. to 1 p.m. The forum is free to the public.

**ANIMATED FILM EXTRAVAGANZA**

Mind-boggling, hair-raising, head-scratching, lip-flipping, and eye-popping animated films will entertain audiences at the North Carolina Museum of Art in June. "The British Animation Invasion" on June 17 and "The Third Animation Celebration" on June 24 are collections of short animated films from the United Kingdom and around the world. The films will be screened at 7 p.m. and 9:15 p.m. and are programmed for adult audiences. Some are not appropriate for children.

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