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'You Bet Your Life' To Interview Area People To Appear On TV Show

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A nationwide search has been launched to select more than 1,000 unique and interesting people to appear with Bill Cosby on his '90s remake of "You Bet Your Life." The show's producers are looking for people with an interesting aspect to their personality or an experience which Bill can reveal through his humor. Cosby hopes to reflect the diversity of America, of nationalities and characteristics from rural America to big cities... the individual ingredients that collectively give flavor to the American pie.

According to NBC network spokesman Curt Block, the new series is set for a fall launch.

In the original "You Bet Your Life" series, which began on radio in 1947, hosted by cigar-smoking Groucho Marx, and ran on NBC-TV from 1950-61, contestants won money by correctly answering questions on history and other topics, or by happening to say the daily "secret word."

Cosby said his show will lack two of Marx's trademarks. There will be no cigar because "times have changed. I smoke but I don't smoke on stage." And, Cosby said, he will refrain from denigrating contestants for humorous effect.

In the original, if a contestant said the night's "secret word," a stuffed duck with a cigar in its beak dropped from the sky and he

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African-American To Be Next Enloe Senior High School Principal

BY CASH MICHAELS
 Staff Writer

As of July 1, there will finally be a high-school principal of color inside the Raleigh Beltline.

Monday night, the Wake Board of Education appointed Calvin J. Dobbins, Jr. to become the next principal of the state's largest high school, Enloe High. Dobbins, an African-American, officially succeeds Dr. Howard Coleman, who left Enloe in April for a position with the Charlotte-Mecklenburg School System. Dr. Richard Jewell, retired principal of Broughton High and currently interim principal at Enloe, will step down at the end of the month.

Sources tell The CAROLINIAN that Dobbins is a "team player" in the school system, but should bring a worthy change of leadership and philosophy to Enloe's head office.

Dobbins is currently the director of elementary employment in human resources at the Board of Education Central Office. He has worked at Enloe before, teaching physical education and becoming department chair (1978-80), and coaching girls' basketball and softball (1978-82). He also worked as a summer school director at Enloe in 1981.

Dobbins earned a bachelor of

science degree in physical education with a minor in biology and education from St. Augustine's College in 1973, where he graduated in the top 20 percent of his class. He received an M.A. degree in educational administration at North Carolina Central University in 1982.

He is certified in physical education, as a curriculum instructional specialist, and as a school administrator-principal.

Dobbins began teaching at Cary Elementary after graduating from St. Augustine's, then going on to East Cary Junior High from 1974-78. He was appointed assistant principal at Millbrook High from 1982-85. Dobbins then left Wake County to become principal of Union Pines High School in Moore County from 1985 to 88.

He came back to the Wake School System as a special assistant in student services from 1988 to 90. In 1990, he transferred to become director of elementary employment, his current position.

Among his many awards and accomplishments, Dobbins is a member of the North Carolina Association for Research in Education, and has attended the Race Relations Seminar conducted by the Rev. C.T. Vivian.

Taxpayers Stunned By 43 Property Value Increase

BY SHEHETTIZI WOODLEY
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Some Wake County taxpayers believe the Wake County Board of Commissioners needs to put a cap on social services spending.

Members of the Wake County Taxpayers Association accounted for about one-third of the almost 200 people who crowded the commissioners' budget hearing Monday night.

J. Russell Copps, president of

the group, said those people who requested money from the county for social programs represented worthy and needy causes.

However, he said there has to be a limit. "The lower-income homeowners cannot continue to pay ever-higher taxes. The social programs need to be funded by donations to the extent possible to keep government subsidy from increasing year after year."

Mary Louise Williams, president

of the Wake-Johnston Community Development Corp., requested \$20,000 to help fund social and economic opportunities for residents of various rural communities.

She said her program is just one of many needed programs in Wake County. She said that it was necessary to invest in the communities so that everyone will have a pleasant and productive environment in which to live.

The board heard budgetary requests from 61 representatives of county organizations. Almost half of those requests came from members of the county's 21 volunteer fire departments.

Budget increase requests came from the Center for Economic Development, the Foundation of Economic and Educational Development, the Child Abuse Center, the Minority Business Development (See COUNTY BUDGET, P. 2)



PROTEST CONTINUES—"Problems, problems, problems, ... a lot of things are happening that are not fair. For example, the whites get away with things we can't, like being late or other infractions," said Warren Woodard, a veteran African American CAT driver. Paula Lett related to Atlantic Transportation Corp. (ATC) unfair rules and policies. "I went in for a hearing and immediately after I

was handed a letter of termination. I had no appeal process, their minds were made up before the hearing." Since mid-May, African-American bus drivers of the CAT system have publicly protested what they called discrimination at the workplace by management. James T. Greene, Jr. concluded, "Let's go by the union contract, not by who likes who." (Photo by James Giles)

African-Americans Called To July 4th Selective Buying

BY CASH MICHAELS
 Staff Writer

Despite our citizenship and the constant battle to achieve rights that other Americans have taken for granted, there are many African-Americans who look upon the traditional July 4 Independence Day celebration with ambivalence.

While the rest of the nation commemorates the historic fight for freedom from European dominance, African-Americans say they're still fighting that battle. And with black economics still the cornerstone of any effort to achieve that freedom, local activists are asking the community to heed a national call for an economic "Declaration of Independence" that July 4 weekend.

An organization called "We the People" out of New York has proposed that African-Americans engage in a non-violent symbol of solidarity by keeping their money "home" during the period of July 2-5.

In a statement sent to African-American media across the country, We the People said, "...African-Americans should make no purchases except from other people of color..." during the period of July 2-5. "The Declaration of Independence states, 'All men are created equal, that they are endowed by their Creator with certain unalienable rights.' Since the rights of people of color are constantly being violated by the American criminal justice system, We the People find no cause to celebrate Independence Day."

This "non-violent symbol of solidarity" is supposed to provide an example for young people in how to deal with and impact a system that many feel oppresses the African-American community.

Ms. Margaret Rose Murray of the Business Building Society supports the call for the black Declaration of Economic Independence. On Saturday, July 4, BBS will sponsor a radiothon from 9 a.m. to noon on WLLE-AM 570 to raise funds for a small-business incuba-

tor in the African-American community.

Afterwards, the second Black Business Exposition of the season will be held, allowing African-American vendors and merchants the opportunity to market their goods and services. Ms. Murray says there will be a special empha-

sis on developing youth entrepreneurs during the July 4 Business Expo, and they will be taught about developing and building their businesses prior to the expo.

To contact Ms. Murray at the Business Building Society, call 834-5118.

Activist Heads Effort To Urge New Anti-Drug Initiative In City

BY CASH MICHAELS
 Staff Writer

Melvin Whitley wants his seven-year-old son to grow up like he did: free to play in his neighborhood, or just run up and down the street if he wants to. But Melvin doesn't dare, because it may cost his son his life.

Just recently, Whitley and others in his Southeast Raleigh neighborhood were alarmed to see a man firing a gun on their street. The man didn't live there, and to Whitley, didn't seem to care whether people saw him or not. Whatever commitment Melvin Whitley had to making the community safe, was magnified tenfold that night.

When citizens were invited to Wake County Youth Service Center (formerly the old Crosby-Garfield Elementary School) on May 27 to meet with Raleigh police officials of Project COPE (Citizen Oriented Police Enforcement) about combatting crime in Downtown East, Melvin Whitley was one of at least 100 concerned citizens there.

But unlike several others, Whitley came prepared not to sit and listen, or even ask, but demand that things be done to stem the tide of drug dealers, shootings and prostitution permeating Southeast Raleigh these days. And while befuddled police officers watched, Whitley presented a long list of

proposals and a virtual plan of action to solve the problem.

Whitley even offered a challenge for all to hear: "You don't have to like my plan, but come with one of your own. But if you don't, then please excuse me while I go forward with mine."

Part of that plan is to have Raleigh city officials, especially Police Chief Frederick K. Heineman and the City Council members, attend a meeting at the Youth Service Center on Thursday, June 25, at 7 p.m. to meet Southeast Raleigh community residents face to face. "I want them to see what it's like out here at night," said Whitley.

He is also passing out a petition for Raleigh East residents to sign that would support publicizing the names of property owners when arrested for selling drugs; have properties where drugs are sold declared public nuisances, and pass a no-loitering ordinance that would prohibit three or more people from congregating in a neighborhood where they do not live or work.

Whitley wants as many registered voters as possible to go to their neighborhood barber shop or beauty salon and sign the petitions so that they can be presented to the City Council.

"We need to make our commu-

(See DRUG FIGHT, P. 2)

Meadowbrook Country Club Holds 35th Yr. Celebration

BY ALLIE M. PEEBLES
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Meadowbrook Country Club was alive this past weekend when members, former members, guests and friends visited the club to celebrate its 35th anniversary. It was a time of reflection on that period in 1957 when P.R. Jervay, Sr. invited a group of Raleigh's citizens to attend a meeting at Roberts Community Center "for the purpose of forming an organization to undertake a task of immense scope."

"The general aim of the group is to build, develop and make available to the Negro citizens of Raleigh and others who show by their subscription a desire to participate, a country club to afford the members a place for wholesome recreation."

The temporary officers elected to carry on the business were J.J. Sansom, chairman; John M. Johnson, secretary; and D.P. Lane, treasurer.

It took a great deal of work and planning, for it was necessary to raise money, and members immediately began paying dues. Property had to be purchased, a clubhouse had to be built.

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NEWS BRIEFS

LEADERSHIP PROGRAM

The Greater Triangle Community Foundation this week announced the launching of Leadership Triangle, a newly created program designed to educate the next generation of young local leaders on the issues facing the Triangle as a region. The program's mission is to educate and expose 20 demonstrated leaders, between the ages of 25 and 45, to regional concerns and opportunities through a series of eight discussion forums and skill-building sessions.

SUBSTANCE ABUSE GRANT

The Raleigh Housing Authority has received a grant from the Office for Substance Abuse Prevention for \$700 to implement a "By Our Own Hands" program within the Mayview community. The program is designed to reinforce ongoing substance abuse prevention efforts in the top 12 black media cities across the country. The challenge for this project is allowing youth ages 9 to 13 to create a new approach to promoting prevention messages for other children living in high-risk communities.

BANK CHANGES NAME

Chemical Banking Corp. this week announced that the nationwide branch network of mortgage origination offices formerly known

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CRIME BEAT

Editor's Note: This column, a fixture of The CAROLINIAN in years past, has returned to our pages in hopes of deterring crime in our community. The information contained herein is taken from public arrest records and does not necessarily mean those mentioned are guilty of crimes.

BREAKING INTO TV REPORTER'S CAR

Eighteen-year-old Joseph Junior Patterson of 102 Russ St. was charged with felony breaking and entering in the parking lot of WRAL-TV station, 2619 Western Blvd. Police say Patterson was breaking into a car owned by news reporter Leslie Boney.

ASSAULTING AN OFFICER

Deborah Slazyk Proffitt, 32, of 5147 U.S. 49 in Burlington, was arrested and charged with assault on a law enforcement officer and trespass. Police say Ms. Proffitt assaulted Raleigh Police Officer R.W. Dunn last Sunday at the Walnut Creek Amphitheatre.

FRAUD

Carl Quinton Coats, 28, of Route 3, Box 56, in Four Oaks was arrested and charged with credit card fraud. Police say the card belonged to Elizabeth Ann Duff of Asheville. The location of the alleged crime was at a store at 319 Fayetteville Street Mall.

ASSAULTING A JUVENILE

Twenty-year-old Jody Lee Wall of Route 3, Box 3824 Sid Jones Road in Wake Forest, was charged with assault with a deadly weapon, and 21-year-old Jeffery Scott Morgan of 201 Cedarfield Court in Wendell was charged with engaging in an affray. Police say the location of the incident was 3400 Buffalo Road, and the victim of the assault was a juvenile.

HARASSING PHONE CALLS

Glen Alan Coley, 37, of 3119 Apt. A-1 Calvary Drive, was arrested and charged with making harassing phone calls to a female resident at the same apartment complex last Sunday.

ASSAULT ON FEMALE

Thirty-four-year-old David Daniel Avery of 6603 Apt. G, the Lakes Drive was arrested and charged with assault on a female at his apartment. Police say the victim received a cut on her neck as a result of Avery assaulting her with his hands. She was not transported to the hospital.