

**Rev. Raney Orator At Rally**

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No one can ever better his position by limiting the mind. No one can ever make a success of life by thinking failure. Every success is achieved first in your own thoughts.

Robert Collier

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## Family Manages Thru Gravesite Ordeal

While investigators with the Wake Sheriff's Department and the State Office of Archaeology continue to search for clues to who desecrated a Garner African-American family burial site, descendants of that family are still trying to deal with the pain, and are asking why it happened. Sheriff's investigators are digging on the property of Walter Perry in

the White Oak subdivision, looking for evidence of graves that may have been covered over years ago when the area was developed. Perry reported the situation to the State Office of Archaeology after being told by a neighbor why he shouldn't build a pool in his backyard. Perry says that while it's clear his neighbors knew, he was unaware that his double-wide

home was built on the site of a family cemetery when he purchased the property last October.

Perry says that investigators unofficially believe that there may be as many as 100 or more graves spanning a two-acre tract of land where four homes are currently located.

Members of two African-American families, the Bankses and the

Smiths, are believed to be buried on the land. Alice Graves, a descendant of the Banks family, says the burial site was given to her family at the turn of the century by a white doctor who owned it. After his death, the property changed hands several times, but the family continued to bury their dead there as late as 1969. At that time, there was a pig farm

there, and family members had a dispute with the owner about access to the site. Though it hasn't been used since, the family never expected that the cemetery, which was never registered with the county, would be disturbed, even after it was developed 10 years ago for homes.

One of the keys to confirming the existence of a family cemetery

at the site may be aerial photographs taken of the area in the 1960s. Those photographs, part of the county archives, should show the existence of gravestones on the property.

"Folks tell us that those headstones could be plainly seen," Capt. Max Pickett of the Sheriff's

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**Campus Officer Awarded \$116 Gs In UNC-Ch. Suit**

BY CASH MICHAELS  
Staff Writer

Officials of the University of North Carolina at Chapel Hill are expected to appeal \$116,000 in damages awarded to an African-American campus police officer in a civil rights suit last week.

An Orange County jury last Thursday agreed with Officer Keith Edwards that she was the victim of continuous racial and sexual discrimination by her superiors during her tenure with the campus police force. The jury of 10 whites and two blacks took eight hours to deliberate after hearing almost two weeks of testimony.

The three defendants, former UNC-CH Police Chief Charles Mauer, former Director of Public Safety Robert Sherman, (See OFFICER WINS, P. 2)

**City Police Suspect N.Y. Enforcers In Local Slaying**

BY CASH MICHAELS  
Staff Writer

When the body of a Raleigh man was found in a wooded area behind St. Ambrose Church last month, it confirmed something local law enforcement officials have been dreading: the local drug turf wars are intensifying, and Raleigh is becoming more and more a part

of it.

This latest harbinger of things to come is alleged to be a rub-out by two New York drug "enforcers." Police say the victim, 37-year-old Phillip L. Wortham of 19 Mecklenburg Terrace, was apparently beaten and then shot to death because he may have stolen money from area drug dealers. His body was found on June 27 outside of

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While Durham police seem to have a drug-related "murder a week," drug rub-outs have been

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"DESECRATED GRAVES"—Garner homeowner Walter Perry points to two telephone line boxes that he says are sitting on top of at least one grave. Wake Sheriff's investigators are digging for clues on Perry's property, looking for other graves that a housing subdivision was built over. Perry says he didn't know his home rested on a cemetery when he bought it last October.

**Mrs. Soloana Ingram Still Driven To Find The "Truth" In Son's Death**

BY CASH MICHAELS  
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Had he lived beyond that fateful evening of Nov. 8, 1991, Ivan Lorenzo Ingram would have turned 36 years old on July 13, this week. But on this, the first

birthday after his tragic shooting by a Raleigh police officer, the will to find out what she believes to be the "truth" still burns strong in the heart of Ivan's best friend... his mother.

For Ms. Soloana Ingram, the

"answers" supplied by a Wake County grand jury (which cleared the officer, Vincent Kerr, of the



MS. SOLOANA INGRAM

shooting), and Raleigh Police Chief Frederick K. Heineman (who agreed with the grand jury) don't even begin to fill in the painful puzzle of why, and what really happened. It's not bitterness that drives Ms. Ingram to seek the truth eight months after her son, a bystander to a police drug raid, was killed, she told The CARO-

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**Record Number Of Blacks Hold Key Spots In DNC**

WASHINGTON, D.C.—A record number of African-Americans hold key positions with the Democratic National Committee as the 200-year-old political party conducts its 1992 national convention in New York's Madison Square Garden July 12-16, under the leadership of Gotham-born, Harlem-bred DNC chairman Ronald H. Brown.

More than 40,000 delegates, alternates, elected officials, party regulars, supporters, guests and media representatives will be attending the biggest political gathering ever, with New York City Mayor David H. Dinkins serving as honorary chairman of the host committee.

"I smell victory in the air," Mayor Dinkins jubilantly told colleagues at the opening of the DNC Platform Committee hearings in Washington. Dinkins, as a vice chairman of the Platform Committee, was aggressive in presenting "minority issues" for consideration by the committee.

Congressional Black Caucus chairman, Rep. Edolphus Towns (D-N.Y.) a few days later echoed the "victory in the air" theme after a CBC meeting with Gov. Bill Clinton in Washington.

Despite simmering debate at the Platform Committee hearing on such concerns as urban aid, enterprise zones, school choice, women's choice, minimum wage (\$5.25 an

hour), unemployed black youth, minority reports or open floor fights are not expected at the New York convention.

Brown, the dapper DNC presiding officer, grew up about 100 blocks from the "Garden" in uptown Harlem, where his father managed the celebrated Theresa Hotel. However, Brown began his political career as a Democratic leader in suburban Mount Vernon, N.Y. Before being elected DNC chairman in 1989, Brown served as deputy campaign manager for Sen. Edward Kennedy's 1980 presidential campaign, convention manager for Rev. Jesse Jackson's

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## The People Speak



TIM PULLEY

I do not think that AIDS testing should be required before marriage. It is a violation of that person's right to privacy. If that person's spouse wants him/her to take the test, it would be all right. No one should be forced to reveal such a vital secret. AIDS testing goes against the very foundation of what marriage stands for—trust.

**Briefing:** With the number of AIDS-infected people reaching epidemic proportions, many people are pondering what measures should be taken to curb the rising number of people who have contracted the HIV virus. We asked if AIDS tests should be a mandatory requirement before marriage and this was the response:



ANTONIO MILLS

I think people should take the test before they get married. It would be too hard to tell if someone had AIDS without it. If you're living your life right you shouldn't have to think about AIDS or disease anyway.



CHRIS PHIFER

I don't think AIDS tests should be required. You should be married before you have sex anyway. If you think you may have AIDS or HIV, then it would be all right, but I don't think it should be required.



DWIGHT HAWKINS

I don't think it should be mandatory in order to be married. The two individuals should be responsible and caring enough to have the test done without it being mandatory.

## COMMUNITY CALENDAR

**EXHIBITS AT HAYTI HERITAGE CENTER**

"Visions in Ebony," works by visual artist Thomas Poole, will be on display at the Lyda Merrick Gallery, Hayti Heritage Center, through Aug. 8. Poole's style comes naturally. His canvas paintings of acrylic and oil are representative of his life as an African-American. Gallery hours are Monday through Friday, 10 a.m. to 5 p.m., Saturday 10 a.m. to 2 p.m., at the Hayti Heritage Center, 804 Old Fayetteville St. (corner of Fayetteville Street and Lakewood Avenue). Call 683-1709 for more information.

"Old Hayti Remembered," a special exhibit of photographs from the Old Hayti Business District and African-American community of Durham dating back to 1910, collected with the assistance of the Stanford Warren Library, will be held July 16-31.

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