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Mt. Zion 49th Anniversary Slated

The Mt. Zion Missionary Baptist Church will be celebrating their 49th Anniversary on Sunday, August 22, 3 p.m. at 13th & Hewitt Street in Bremerton. This year's theme, entitled "Standing on Zion", will feature some of the charter members of the church along with Mary M. Golden, pictured above, one of the original members. A dinner will be served before the celebration, from 1:30 to 3 p.m. You must RSVP by calling 377-9169 479-6589 or 692-3712.

Governor Lowry Proclaims August Child Support Awareness Month

Citing a need to educate the public about child support and paternity issues, Governor Mike Lowry has proclaimed August as "Child Support Awareness Month."

The proclamation notes an alarming rate of births outside of marriage. It suggests education and local action as ways citizens can help curb the rising incidence—especially to teens—of pregnancy outside of marriage.

Preventative education for youth is especially important now, according to a March 1993 report by Washington Kid's Count. The annual report monitors trends in the well-being of children and families in Washington. The report notes:

- Every 27 minutes an infant is born to an unmarried mother of any age;
- 1 in 14 births during 1992 was to an unmarried teen mother;
- Teenage mothers tend to drop out of school, and 60 percent of their children grow up in poverty; and
- An expected one-third increase in high school

enrollment by 1997 will add over 80,000 students.

Reducing teen pregnancy is a continued goal of state government, as evidenced by the 1993 Legislature's approval of funds to begin a preventative education campaign.

Also, the state Office of Support Enforcement (OSE) works hand-in-hand with

schools to inform youth about their rights and fiscal responsibilities should they become teen parents.

The public can get information about OSE's free paternity establishment and child support collection services by calling 1-900-442-KIDS.

Flood Victims Receive Support

Local support for Midwest flood victims continues to pour in to the local Red Cross. To date, over \$6,000 has been donated by Kitsap and North Mason County residents and more contributions are being received every day.

"The longer the floods last, the longer it will take to help people get back on their feet again," says Joe Elmore, chapter manager of the Kitsap-North Mason County Chapter.

Meanwhile, the Red Cross wants to remind local residents that disasters can happen to anyone, anywhere! In the past year, the Kitsap-North Mason County Red Cross's disaster volunteers responded to 60

single family fires. Over \$22,000 in assistance was given to 45 families for emergency food, shelter, clothing, household furnishings, and medical supplies.

The Red Cross recommends that you prepare yourself now against the possibility of disasters—at home, at work, or at school. One way to prepare is to put together a disaster supplies kit.

Anyone who wants more information about local and national Red Cross disaster relief efforts, disaster preparedness, or would like to sponsor an event to support these efforts, should call 377-3761.

Washington State Association for Black Veterans Open Office

Last month, Harold Whitehead, president of the Washington State Association for Black Veterans (WSABV) announced the opening of their office at 9252 - 57th Avenue South in Seattle. WSABV is the Washington State Department under the auspices of the National Association for Black Veterans (NABVETS).

WSABV is chartered as a non-profit corporation in Washington State to provide information, advocate and provide services in an attempt to improve the plight of veterans, particularly Black veterans. Many minority

veterans are seeking employment and economic development opportunities that will empower them toward self-sufficiency and equal access to financial assistance in creating businesses that will be able to employ many people.

Presently, the agency does not receive any grants and is being financed by membership and staffed by volunteers. It will be open Monday through Friday, from 1 to 5 p.m..

Although it isn't funded to operate any specific programs, WSABV will provide outreach services to connect veterans with existing services. WSABV

will be very active in advocating, on behalf of veterans to ensure that they are treated fairly and receive all of the benefits that they are entitled to receive.

Presently, it appears that minority veterans are not being treated fairly in the job market in private industry and municipal governments, according to the WSABV.

Another major activity will be to encourage lending institutions and the Small Business Administration to make special effort to "reach out" to minority veterans and assist them in getting loans and technical business development assistance.

Youth Foundation to Provide Helmets

Helmets for Youth Foundation is a newly formed charitable organization. It was established for the express purpose of providing bicycle safety helmets to children, ages 3 to 5, residing in Kitsap County whose families might otherwise be unable to purchase the helmets. The helmets are to be provided free of charge.

The Foundation was founded on the fact that most severe bicycle related head injuries are preventable. For example, the Harborview Injury Prevention and Research Center (HIPRC) states that wearing a bicycle helmet reduces the risk of serious head injury by 85 percent. HIPRC also cites that the nearly 600 cyclists under the age of 14 who die each

year, 80 percent of those suffer head trauma.

They will begin fundraising and helmet distribution in late-summer and early-fall. Contributions are being sought from public and private businesses and organizations.

For information, call Jeff Pritchard at 344-3716 or 842-2409.



Robinson and King to Wed

Vincent James Robinson of Bremerton and Casaundra Monneett King of Seattle will wed Sunday, August 29, 4 p.m. at Alki Room, Seattle Center, First Avenue North and Republican in Seattle. The reception will be immediately following the ceremony. Robinson is the son of Otis and Dianne Robinson of Bremerton. King is the daughter of Teddy and Shirley Peoples of Seattle.

HAPPY 20TH CLASS REUNION EAST TECH HIGH SCHOOL

TONY BROWN'S COMMENTS

Abortion: Choice or Genocide?

by TONY BROWN

The new abortion-on-demand, paid-for-by-the-government, abortions-for-the-black poor lobby in Congress has turned into a Black female-led movement.

Whatever your feelings are about abortion, and both sides have legitimate points, one must not be so naive as to believe that in a society that places more value on White life than Black life that a women's right to control her body (so-called "choice") is the only issue. And is certainly not the only motive.

The mother of "choice," Planned Parenthood's founder Margaret Sanger, was a strong believer in eugenics, as was Adolph Hitler, who did something about it—as did Sanger.

As currently practiced, eugenics is the science of "improving" the human race by reproducing more Whites from a certain racial stock and controlling or eliminating the breeding of certain Whites and all non-Whites.

A publication devoted to eugenics, the *Eugenical News* said in 1927, "Today it appears an exaggeration to speak of the dying out of the white race. In two decades the problem will have become a vital one..." In 1936, the White supremacy organ said, "White America does not realize that the Negro problem is a biological problem..."

A "problem" that Sanger thought could best be solved by birth control and abortion for the poor and Black.

She attacked efforts to help the poor as "the cruelty of charity" and the "surest sign that our civilization has bred, is breeding and is perpetuating constantly increasing numbers of defectives, delinquents and dependents."

Birth control and abortion, Sanger believed, were "essential to the future of the (White) race and the world."

I'm one of those "defectives" who resulted from the "breeding" of two of those two poor Black people that Sanger's eugenics believed to be inferior. And, I know

eugenics when I hear it.

Liberal Ken Auletta, in the *New York Daily News*, wrote of the "incalculable costs" of allowing poor people to freely reproduce: "More future city criminals will be incubated, unwanted kids, entering the world without nurturing and self-esteem."

Nat Hentoff of the *Village Voice* cut through Auletta's rhetoric to its essence: "So the battle for abortion rights is not—as we've been told all along—solely a matter of preserving an individual woman's right to manage her life. There is an added dimension—the equation of abortion with a public service responsibility to keep the population down, especially to keep the population in the ghetto down."

It's common knowledge that the U.S. government is interested in Black population control. A secret memo, circulated during Jimmy Carter's administration, to restrict Black life is now an open secret.

What is not as public, is the rumored plan of direct eugenic management developed during the early 60s and the John Kennedy administration for total control of conception—with a controlled "antidote" for selected White people.

Teams of experimental biologists allegedly worked on this plan in Massachusetts, Michigan and California.

I personally believe that it's none of my business if a woman decides to have an abortion—and it's none of the government's business either.

But, I am aware that other, more nefarious games are being played.

In the vicious Tuskegee Experiment, allowing Black men to die of syphilis, a Black female nurse was used—volunteered—to hold the genocidal plot together. The pattern is established.

How clever it was, then to put Black women out front in leading the abortion movement—for poor Black women.

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Tony Brown's Journal TV series can be seen on your local public television station, (PBS).

BRUNELL ON BUSINESS

Government Needs Citizens With Business Experience

by DON C. BRUNELL

President

Association of Washington Business

It is not too early to begin thinking about the 1994 election!

Sound outrageous? Not really, because it takes a good deal of preparation to organize a campaign for the legislature, fund it and actually win.

Citizens with business experience are needed in positions to run government, draft our regulations and make our laws.

Consider what Lieutenant Governor Joel Pritchard told business leaders recently.

People ask me what went wrong with the legislature this year? I tell them the November elections. Then they say, now tell me what really went wrong and I repeat—The November elections!"

Pritchard, who ran a Seattle business while he was a state legislator, believes there are too few business leaders in politics today.

He is not alone in that belief. A recent convert is none other than George McGovern, the liberal former U.S. Senator from South Dakota who was the Democratic presidential candidate in 1972.

After retiring from politics, McGovern invested funds

from his lecture circuit in a Connecticut Inn. The Stratford Inn promised to fulfill McGovern's longtime dream of owning a combination hotel, restaurant and public conference center.

"In retrospect," McGovern laments in a *Wall Street Journal* article, "I wish I had known more about the hazards and difficulties of such a business—I wish that during the years I was in public office, I had had this firsthand experience about the difficulties business people face every day."

"That knowledge would have made me a better U.S. Senator and a more understanding presidential contender."

As a business owner, McGovern also lived with federal, state and local rules that were all passed with the objective of helping employees, protecting the environment, raising taxes for schools and protecting customers from fire hazards.

"While I never doubted the worthiness of any of these goals, the concept that most often eludes legislators is: Can we make consumers pay the higher prices for the increased operating costs that accompany public regulations and government reporting requirements with reams of red tape?"

"It is a simple concern that is nonetheless often ignored by legislators."

McGovern's business went bankrupt for a variety of reasons which included a recession in the Northeast.

Health care costs nagged McGovern's business. Were he operating today, his health care costs would exceed \$150,000 annually on top of salaries and other benefits. "There would be no reasonable way for us to absorb or pass on these costs."

Does McGovern's saga sound familiar? Washington is struggling through recessionary times. It also just passed a costly health care reform legislation which will make businesses the responsible funding party.

Our state legislature loaded more than \$1.5 billion in new taxes, fees and costs on doing business on employers in the 1993 session. Businesses are just beginning to feel the pinch of those new out-of-pocket expenses. They took effect on July 1 and will hurt business and job creation.

The bottom line is Washington needs to have more elected officials making laws and approving regulations who have met payroll and not merely endorsed paychecks.

As McGovern and Pritchard point out—it makes a world of difference!

It is not too early to recruit those with experience in making payroll to run for office. 1994 is just around the corner. But it may be too late for our economy if those in business let the paycheck endorsers continue to control government, raise taxes and "let the red tape roll!"



The lifespan of insects ranges from a few days or hours for adult mayflies to 50 years or more for some queen termites.

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Words of Life

Some people grin and bear it. Others smile and change it.

Five Measures to Appear on Ballot

Five statewide ballot measures—three initiatives and two constitutional amendments—will go before Washington state voters at the November 2 General Election, announced Secretary of State Ralph Munro. Each had sufficient valid voter signatures to be certified to the ballot.

Initiative #593 would institute mandatory prison sentences for certain repeat offenders, Initiative #601 would place restrictions on state government, and Initiative #602 would limit future state spending and taxes and repeal recent state tax increases.

The three initiatives will appear on the ballot along with two proposed amendments to the state constitution—House Joint Resolutions 4200 and 4201. HJR 4200 would allow counties and public hospital districts to employ chaplains in various health care facilities; HJR 4201 would allow district

Jobs Available at Puyallup Fair

The best way to experience the Puyallup Fair is to be part of its inside operations. Over 2,000 jobs will be filled through a special Job Service Center.

Beginning Monday, August 2 until Monday, September 30, the department will operate an office at the Yellow Gate (by the Roller Coaster) on the west side of the Puyallup Fairgrounds on Fifth Street. Hours are 8:30 a.m. to noon, and from 1 to 4:30 p.m., Monday through Friday.

The office will provide direct placement services for applicants 16 years of age and older who want to work with the Fair's exhibitors and concessionaires. Applicants must show proof of identification and citizenship, which usually is a Social Security card and photo identification (driver's license) at the time of the interview.

There are a variety of jobs which are available, including: cook, waitress, counter worker, ride operator, product demonstrator, grounds clean-up, game booth operator, barn worker, sales, and many others. Minimum wage is \$4.25. The rate of pay varies from \$4.25 to \$7.00 an hour depending on the specific job and skill required.

The Puyallup Fair will be held September 10-26. For further information, call the 24-hour hotline at 841-5405.

Beaches Closed to Shellfish Harvesting

Recent testing of shellfish from Kitsap County beaches indicates that paralytic shellfish poison (PSP) toxin levels have exceeded safe health levels in all species of shellfish. Until further notice, all beaches in Kitsap County, except for Hood Canal, are closed to the harvest of all species of shellfish, including clams, oysters, and mussels.

For more information regarding Kitsap County beaches, contact the Bremerton-Kitsap County Health District at 478-5285, Monday through Friday, between 8 a.m. to 4:30 p.m. or the Red Tide Hotline at 1-800-562-5632 24 hours a day.

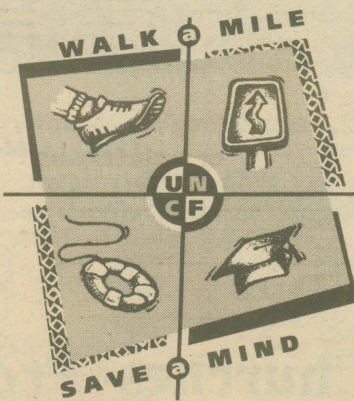
courts to have jurisdiction over so-called "cases in equity."

Under the state constitution, an initiative petition must contain a minimum of 181,687 signatures of registered

voters (8 percent of the total vote for governor) to be certified to the ballot. Duplicate signatures and signatures of those who are not registered to vote are not valid.

'Whale of a Run' Raises \$5,000

Jarvis Henderson of Olympic High School (left) and Michael Gordon (right) both of Bremerton, were two of the over 500 runners that participated in the 13th annual "Whale of a Run" to benefit Hospice of Kitsap County. The event, held on July 24, was one of many community activities featured during Silverdale's Whaling Days festival. Gordon came in third place in the male division (40-49) of the 1-mile run/walk with a time of 6:12. The overall honors were captured by David Hughes of Bremerton, who also won the event last year, finishing the 9K race with a time of 28:35 and Dana Murray of Olalla, who completed the 9K course with a time of 35:15. In the 1-mile run/walk event, Bowie Sagle of Home took top overall honors with a finish time of 4:59 and Andrea Schaser completed the course in 6:09. Schaser won this event in 1992 as well.



**1993 Walkathon to Benefit
the United Negro College Fund**

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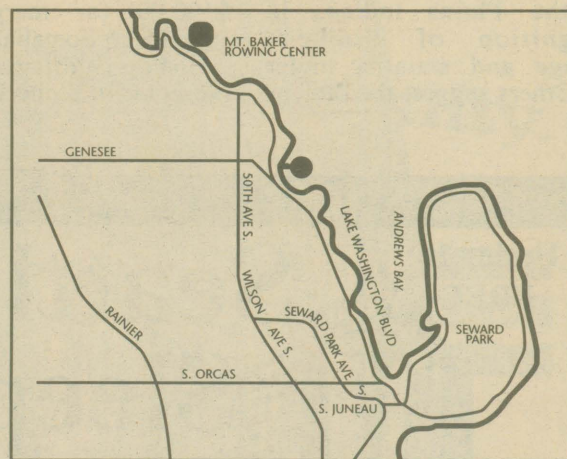
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- **Be kind to your body! Wear good walking shoes and layered clothing.**
- **Don't forget your sunscreen.**
- **Bring banners, balloons, signs, team shirts and have a great time.**

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IN THE NEWS

The Proud Legacy of the Buffalo Soldiers

by PATRICE GIPSON

"What do daddies do all day? Daddies work while children play," explains the narrator of a 1950's picture book—As children Ivey and Lewis Gordon played among the stables and corrals as their dad and his fellow troopers made history.

On July 18, 1866 the United States Congress created an opportunity by passing an act including black soldiers in the regular army of this nation. Last month, at the La Quinta Inn in Tacoma, members of the 9th and 10th (Horse) Cavalry Association reflected and celebrated the exploits and achievements that occurred during the 127 years following the Congressional action.

About 300 veterans gathered with friends, family and admirers from around the country to remember the role they played in the settlement of the west and the defense of our nation. Their contributions have been considerable.

For over two decades, these regiments fought American Indians on the western frontier seeking action in Montana, Texas, and New Mexico. They served on the plains of the southwest and in Kansas and Oklahoma.

Their enemies included the great chiefs Victorio and Geronimo. When not engaged in combat or scouting for hostile, soldiers built forts and roads, installed telegraph lines, located water holes and rode "shotgun" on stagecoach and mail runs.

Historians say the term *Buffalo Soldier* was first used by the Plains Indians in recognition of trooper's courage and stamina under fire. Others suggest the Indians

saw a resemblance between the soldiers hair and the mane of the buffalo.

Since the Indians held the buffalo in such high esteem, the name was accepted by soldiers as a symbol of respect.

A dozen members of the 9th Cavalry ("We Can, We Will")

and 8 members of the 10th Cavalry ("Ready and Forward") won Congressional Medals of Honor. Members of both regiments fought in Cuba during the Spanish-American War, paving the way for Theodore Roosevelt and the "Rough Riders" charge up San

Juan Hill.

Troopers of the 10th Cavalry road with General John J. Pershing during the Mexican expedition in Search of Pancho Villa. In 1941, the two regiments formed the 4th Cavalry Brigade, commanded by the United States' first

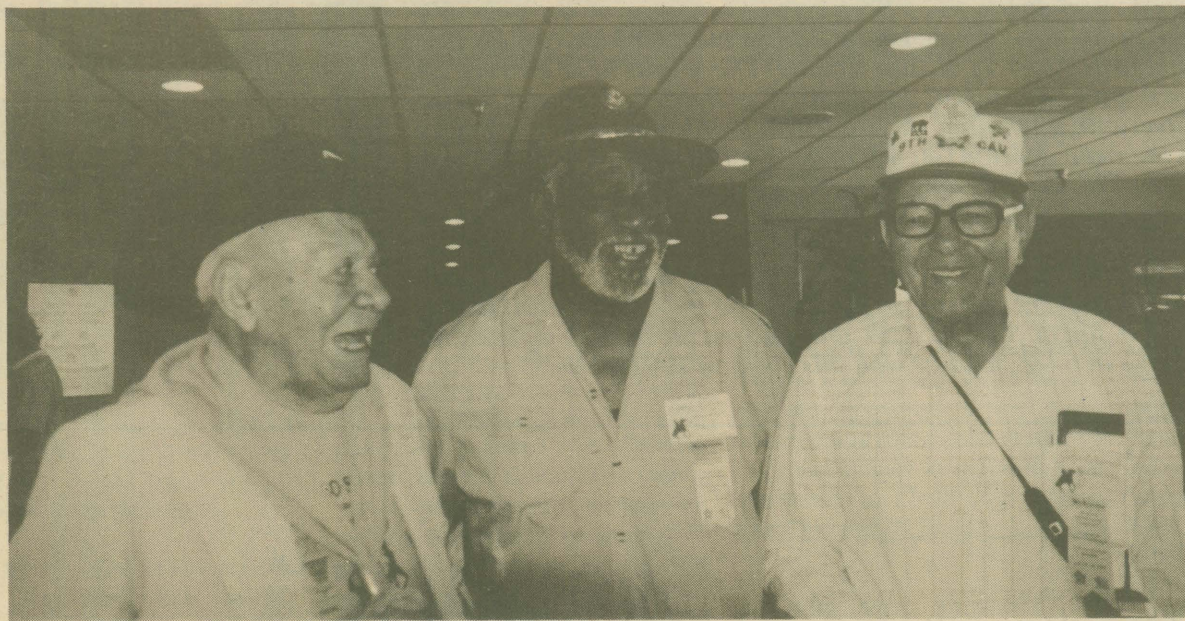
African American General, Benjamin O. Davis, Sr.

In 1944, General George S. Patton's success against the Germans with motorized cavalry signaled the end for the mounted troops. Tanks became the technological successors to horse cavalry units.

After several reorganizations of the regiments, today the 1st and 2nd Tank Battalions of the 10th Cavalry Regiment at Fort Knox, Kentucky wear the buffalo symbol. The 9th Cavalry is a combined armor and helicopter regiment at Fort Hood, Texas.

The 9th and 10th (Horse) Cavalry Association was formed in 1967 by men who had served as far back as 1913. They were concerned that the contributions of the Buffalo Soldiers were slipping away. Often, black history is not adequately recorded. Last month in Tacoma, veterans did much to remedy that past neglect.

Patrice Gipson is a freelance writer living in Pasadena, California. Her writings about the Buffalo Soldiers will be published in her upcoming book due out next spring.



Buffalo Soldiers

Left to right: Trooper William Harrington, oldest conventioner and Trooper Robert Powell, association historian and another conventioner attending last month's convention in Tacoma.

Photos by Kristie Powers next spring.

Black Churches Provide Emergency Relief to Somalia

The Congress of National Black Churches (CNBC), a coalition of African-American churches from eight major denominations, has provided \$100,000 for emergency relief supplies to Somalia.

Bishop William H. Graves presented the check to Mr. C.

Payne Lucas, President of Africare. The funds will be used to support a much needed medical unit in Somalia.

A delegation of representatives from the CNBC and Africare also visited several emergency medical and feeding centers in Somalia and

refugee camps in Ethiopia during March 1993.

The International Medical Corps, which has been cooperating with Africare for some time, operates the medical facilities which the CNBC team visited in Baidoa and Mogadishu. The Irish Concern feeding center in Mogadishu, the capital, was unique because it demonstrated the important contributions local Somalia were making to their own relief effort by operating the kitchen.

In contrast to Mogadishu and Baidoa, there was less suffering and fighting in Belet Weyne, which the team also visited. The traditional elder system in Belet Weyne helped to preserve the community by delegating responsibility, commissioning a police force, and monitoring resources.

In Ethiopia, the team visited four refugee camps on the border between Ethiopia and Somalia. In addition, they visited the town of Dollosa, where they could see a grinding mill and water facility that Africare had helped to install.

The purpose of the 1993 visit was to identify areas where CNBC could further support Africare's emergency relief effort and its long-term development initiatives.

The CNBC visit to the Horn of Africa grew out of a meeting held at Africare House in September 1992, when CNBC made a commitment to raise money for the relief effort. At that meeting, the church leaders discussed the crisis in Somalia with officials from the U.S. Department of State, the Agency for International Development, the Organization of African Unity, the United Nations, and international human rights agencies.

CFA Coordinator Melvin P. Foote called the Somalia Summit and the follow-up activities "a huge success." He added, "CNBC has had a major role in galvanizing support in the African-American community for Africa. They are setting a great example for other African-American organizations to follow."

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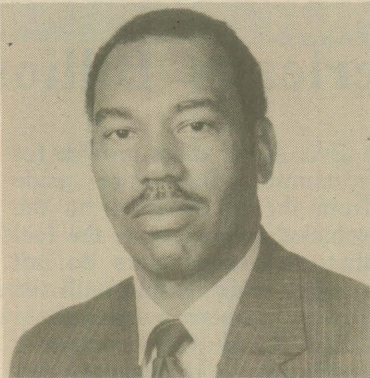
Woods is 'Business Person of the Year'

Michael Woods, president and CEO of C.A.E. & Associates, Inc. of Everett, has been named Minority Small Business Person of the Year for the U.S. Small Business Administration's Region X. Woods was chosen from district-level winners representing Alaska, Idaho, Oregon and Washington, and will be recognized during the National Minority Enterprise Development Week 1993 (MED Week) recognition events, scheduled for October 3-7, in Washington D.C.

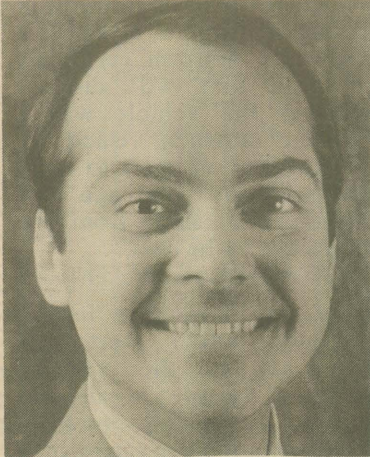
Woods is being honored as one of the top ten minority small business entrepreneurs in the nation, and is in competition for National Minority Person of the year.

He's built and electrical contracting firm that now operates nation-wide, specializing in integrated electronic security/communications, public address and sound reinforcement, fire/life safety systems, and fiber optic and copper local area networks.

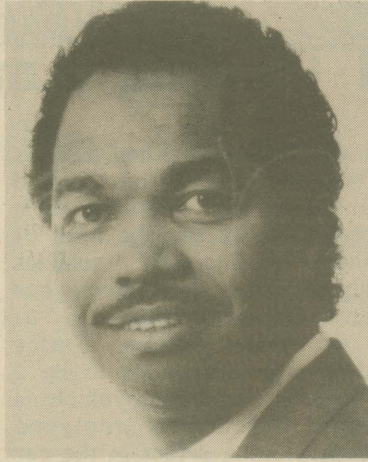
Woods comes from a family of 10 children, and began his career at the age of 13 in an electronics shop. He developed extensive experience and interest in electronic security and communications systems, working a variety of positions at Michigan Bell Telephone. He founded C.A.E. & Associates, Inc., in 1979.



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collects from its constituents. According to Feek, this philosophy is not always popular, but he feels that certain costs should be borne by the end users of the port's facilities, rather than asking the public to fund activities that benefit only a small group.

Feek and his wife, Gladys, live in West Bremerton and have two grown children, James Feek of Seattle and Ann Olsen of Bremerton, and five grandchildren.

Rodman announces Council candidacy

Diane Rodman, Bremerton, has announced her candidacy for Bremerton City Council Position #3. She is a contract coordinator for Kitsap Physicians Service.

Rodman is on the Board of Directors of the Bremerton (Central) Lions Club. She earned her bachelor's degree in Sociology from Western Washington University in 1987.

Bill Enger named campaign chairman for United Way

United Way of Kitsap County has named Bill Enger as campaign chairman for its 1993-94 fund drive. Enger, business manager for Puget Power's Bremerton office, will work with volunteers from local businesses and United Way staff to raise a record \$1.3 million during the 11-week campaign which starts Thursday, September 9.

United Way of Kitsap County will launch its campaign this year with a special "Day of Caring" event. Volunteer teams from area businesses and the community will help local social service agencies with projects at their facilities.

Some of the projects include: improving playground equipment at a local day care facility; building a deck at a center for developmentally-disabled adults; and painting a badly-worn emergency housing facility.

Earl Jones appointed Civil Rights director

At the 131st annual Representative Assembly, the National Education Association announced the appointment of Earl Jones as its Director of Human and Civil Rights.

An NEA member since 1963 and an NEA staff member since 1970, Jones takes over the Association's activities centered on pay equity, minority issues, equal access to educational opportunities, school desegregation, women's issues, and leadership development training for minority members of the Association.

Jones, a native of Carrollton, Mississippi, received his undergraduate degree from Lincoln University in St. Louis and his graduate degree from St. Louis University.

He was most recently an NEA staff member in NEA's Southeast Regional Office. Jones has served as president of Atlanta Parents for Action, a board member of Big Brothers of America, and coordinator of the Martin Luther King, Jr. Institute on Nonviolence.

Bremerton's Port Commission.

Feek has been a Bremerton resident since 1924 and has operated several businesses. He has served on the Bremerton Planning Commission, Bremerton Area Chamber of Commerce, past president of the Active Club, and past president of the Bremerton Rotary Club.

Topping his list of goals for the port district is reducing the amount of tax money the port

Curley acknowledged for teen program

Rene Curley recently received recognition by the Kitsap County Board of Commissioners and the Kitsap County Commission on Children and Youth for her leadership in developing the Teen Mentor Program.

Zufelt, Peterson pass real estate exam

Zan Zufelt of Kingston and Brandy Peterson of Poulsbo recently passed their National Real Estate exam and are now Associated with Shamrock realty, Inc. in Poulsbo.

Zufelt also owns an income tax business in Kingston. Peterson has completed students in business management at Olympic College.

Gary Bolen named volunteer of month

Disaster volunteer Gary Bolen of Bremerton has been named Kitsap-North Mason County Chapter's volunteer of the month for August. Bolen has been a volunteer in the disaster unit for three years. Most recently, he coordinated the American Red Cross Spaghetti Feed held at the AAU Games at the Kitsap Pavilion.

Bolen has been involved in several disaster drills as well as the flooding in Mt. Vernon in 1990 and the repatriation of military personnel and their dependents after the eruption of Mt. Pinatubo in the Philippines in June 1991.

OC announces new student body officers

New student body officers were recently elected to Associated Students of Olympic College (ASOC) position for the 93-94 academic year:

Jared Barrett, president; Kelsey Joyce, vice president of Student Affairs; Robin Yanke, representative Position #1; and Mike Richardson, representative Position #2.

Festag seeks seat on Bremerton council

Paul Festag announced his candidacy for Bremerton's 7th District City Council seat last month. District 7 includes Charleston, Westpark and Forest Ridge Park areas.

Festag's agenda includes regular neighborhood meetings, more streetlights, and an increase in neighborhood watches and drug-free zones.

Festag and his wife, Amy have lived in Kitsap County for five years. He works at Harrison Memorial Hospital.

Silverdale Chamber elects three to Board

The following have been elected to serve on the Silverdale Chamber of Commerce Board of Directors.

Jeanie Schulze, Central Kitsap School District; Bill Krabler, Krabler Creative; and Janet Mayberry.

Wilcox named to 'President's List'

Melanee Wilcox, daughter of Diane and Duane Wilcox of Bremerton, earned a place on the "President's List" at Western Washington University with a GPA of 3.7.

Wilcox is a 1992 graduate of Central Kitsap High School. She plans to continue her students at WWU in the fall in psychology and wellness.

Dick Feek seeks re-election to Port

Commissioner Dick Feek has announced his intention to run for re-election to

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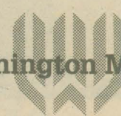
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ON THE ISSUES

Used Car Fraud Costing Americans Billions

by SLADE GORTON
U.S. Senator

Everyday, consumers across the country consider buying used cars. For many, this is a major purchase made possible by saving hard-earned money for years at a time. These people will carefully examine the cars—kick the tires, take them for a test drive, ask the dealer a hundred different questions, and buy the car under the impression that it is in solid working condition.

A few weeks down the road, some of these people will discover that the car they purchased has serious problems they were unaware of when they bought it.

When these unsuspecting consumers take their cars to the shop, they discover that the car they purchased was a lemon-law buy-back or was involved in a serious accident and was subsequently "salvaged," or rebuilt. The

consumer often ends up paying more for the car than it is worth.

Used car fraud is costing American consumers nearly four billion dollars every year. While that figure may seem huge, this kind of fraud poses an even greater problem, on that cannot be measured in dollars and cents. Used car fraud puts thousands of unsafe vehicles in the hands of unsuspecting buyers.

As a result, people end up with cars that have serious engine, transmission, or brake problems that could seriously jeopardize their safety, and the safety of others. In an effort to curb used car fraud, I have introduced legislation which will provide consumers with important information concerning the history of used cars that are either "salvage" or "lemon" vehicles.

Used car fraud occurs because of a lack of uniformity among state titling

laws. Typically, when a car is "totalled" in a crash and subsequently rebuilt, most states require that the titles of these "salvaged" vehicles signify that the vehicle has sustained major damage.

Similarly, when States determine a vehicle to be a "lemon," or when a vehicle is repurchased or replaced because of a defect in the car covered under its warranty, some require that this information is noted on the title.

Despite even the best efforts to let consumer know about the history of the vehicle they are buying, unscrupulous individuals can easily obtain a clean title free of the "salvage" or "lemon" designation. The simply retitled the vehicle in states which do not have such requirements, as current law does not require the new state to carry that information from the previous state's title.

Even fewer states provide for consumer disclosure aside from the information on the vehicles' title—despite the fact that most consumers do not see the vehicle's title until the vehicle has been purchased.

The Used Car Consumer Notification and Reporting Act contains four major provisions:

- Requires the Department of Transportation to establish a nationally uniform certificate of title that will disclose whether the vehicle was a "salvage" or lemon" vehicle,

- Requires all states to carry forward any "salvage" or "lemon" designation from one state's title to the next,

- Provides for a sticker to be placed on "salvage" or "lemon" vehicles which alerts the consumer to the vehicle's history at the point of sale, and
- Requires the Department of Transportation to establish a nationally uniform consumer

disclosure statement that provides further information about the vehicle's "salvage" or "lemon" history.

Our greatest safeguard against consumer fraud is education. When people are able to make decisions with all the facts and pitfalls in clear view, they are no longer defenseless, and certainly less vulnerable.

The Used Car Consumer Notification and Reporting Act will allow consumers to make informed decisions about their used car purchases—and it will play an important role in combating the deceptive and menacing problems of "salvage" and "lemon" fraud.

MUSIC NOTES

G*Wiz: Having Fun With Their Music

In this day and age when most urban groups from South Central Los Angeles are making angry musical statements, G*Wiz want to show the world that there is a light side to the community that they've come from.

"It's no joke, man," says Rascal of the area where he grew up. "It's rough, but it doesn't seem rough after awhile—you get used to it. If you're on the outside looking in, it must seem horrible, but when you're there, it don't seem so bad, cause you're in

there. The media gives South Central a bad rap."

And with their debut E.P. *Naughty Bits*, G*Wiz is presenting their message to the world, it's not a new concept but, it's one that's been forgotten. "We just want to have fun with our music, give people a party" explains Farve, "tell everyone not to take life so seriously all the time."

The group got together two years ago. Jamahl "Jamiz" Harris was "heading in a bad way" until local legend Michael Concepcion took the

youth under his wing.

"Mike told me that he was happy that I was into music" explains the 16 year old rapper/songwriter/producer. "And, that if I stayed with him, in six months time, things would take off for me. And he was right."

Under his guidance, Jamahl formed G*Wiz with friends Ron "Farve" Martin, Craig "Rascal" Cummins, and Kevin "Trick'e" Williams. All agree that music was an outlet for them, a way to channel energy. Growing up in "the hood,"

there was pressure to get into things like gangs and drugs. Music helped them turn potential negative energy into positive energy.

Naughty Bits is the result of that focused energy. The sound is, according to Jamahl "hip-hop with an R&B edge." It's a street sound that isn't soft

or hard, but somewhere in between where the simple message is to have fun.

The first single, "Teddy Bear," is proof that all G*Wiz wants to do is have a good time and share their playfulness. Having fun, on the positive tip, that's what G*Wiz is all about.



G*WIZ

Left to right: Rascal, Farve, Trick'e and Jamahl "Jamiz" Harris

IN THE NEWS

Funding Available for New Veterans Memorials

The Washington State Department of Veterans Affairs (WDVA) is accepting proposals for projects to repair and maintain existing memorials, or for new memorials which pay tribute to veterans.

Funding for such projects comes from proceeds through the Department of Licensing's Veteran Emblem Program. Under this program, veterans may purchase and display emblems representing their military service and commendation on their vehicle license plates.

The proceeds are deposited into a fund which is administered by WDVA and is dedicated to preserving existing veterans memorials or funding new projects which pay tribute to Washington state veterans.

Organizations or groups must meet established criteria and present a proposal in a specific format. The deadline for submitting proposals is August 31, 1993.

For more information, call Sherri Madison at WDVA at 753-4527.

Construction Begins for New Retirement Center

The Episcopal Retirement Homes of Western Washington announced plans to begin construction this month on their \$7.5 million dollar project called St. Paul's Canterbury Manor in Bremerton.

A joint effort by St. Paul's Episcopal Church and Episcopal Retirement Homes, a non-profit corporation, the new community will offer seniors lifestyle that includes a variety of services and

amenities, 24 hour security and home health care available on site.

St. Paul's Canterbury Manor will include 76 private apartments in one and two bedroom floor plans. The residences have been designed to include full kitchens, walk-in closets, patios and other features to enhance the independent lifestyle.

For information regarding the retirement community, call 377-0113.

The most direct way of reaching the African American population in Kitsap County is through the KITSAP COUNTY CHRONICLE. Published bi-weekly, it reaches a very powerful and growing market.

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AROUND KITSAP

New car is prize at golf tournament

Kitsap Mental Health Services would like to invite golfers at all skill levels to enjoy a day of golf at the McCormick Woods Golf Course on Friday, September 24. There will be awards and prizes as well as various contests, including a Hole-in-One Contest for a brand new Toyota Tercel, compliments of Haselwood Toyota!

The purpose of the event is to help raise funds for the "Building to Save" Capital Campaign. The campaign goal is to raise \$300,000 for their new comprehensive mental health facility.

For a brochure and additional information, call 373-5031.

'Festival of Trees' events announced

The 7th annual *Festival of Trees* is now in high gear and plans are underway for an exciting Kitsap community event.

Twenty-eight committees are meeting regularly confirming plans for Harrison Hospital's major fund-raiser.

The event is coordinated by the Harrison Hospital Foundation and benefits Harrison Memorial Hospital. Last year, over \$71,000 was raised at the 3-day Thanksgiving weekend event which takes place at the Kitsap Pavilion.

Some of the activities scheduled are:

- A Senior's Holiday Tea,

Friday, November 26;

- Breakfast with Santa, Saturday, November 27; and
- Gala Tree Party and Auction, Saturday, November 27.

Other attractions included this year will be the Gingerbread Village. Over 30 edible buildings will be assembled and donated by Kitsap residents. Two free workshops will be held in September. Those who attend the workshops will then be expected to donate a building for the village which will then be sold to the public.

The heart of the Festival is the grand display of the 40 decorated Christmas trees. Creativity, time, thousands of lights and much more go into each of the five or seven foot trees.

For any information about the festival, contact 792-6760 or 792-6762.

Books on tape available at library

Kitsap Regional Library has over 2,000 book titles on audiocassette available for check-out. Subjects include: novels, romances, mysteries, westerns, science fiction, non-fiction, children's titles, and foreign language.

Books on tape are read by the author, professional readers, as well as actors and are available in abridged and unabridged forms.

A spoken word audiocassette list is available for selecting titles at all branches. Reserves

may be made and tapes can be checked out for three weeks.

United Way kicks off 1993-94 campaign

United Way of Kitsap County will kick off its 1993-94 campaign with a "Day of Caring" on Thursday, September 9. Special teams of volunteers from local businesses and the general community will lend their support to local social services agencies by helping with projects at their facilities.

"The Day of Caring event is a great example of how volunteers can pitch in to help the community," says Barbara Stephenson, executive director for United Way of Kitsap County.

Day of caring volunteer teams will work on projects throughout Kitsap County, including: installing equipment at a local day care facility; building a deck at a facility for the mentally-ill; and painting a badly-worn emergency housing facility.

Volunteers are still needed for various projects for this special United Way event. For more information, call United Way of Kitsap County at 377-8505.

Literacy Council adds Poulsbo location

The Literacy Council of Kitsap has opened a satellite office in Poulsbo. The office is located near Viking Junction on 225 Northwest Lindvig Way, suite 3. The council

provides free, one-on-one, confidential tutoring for adults.

To sign up for a tutor, call 598-5950 to make an appointment. Tutoring sessions are held at a place and time convenient to each participant.

Parenting classes begin in September

Concerned with getting families off to a good start? Volunteer opportunities have opened for those interested in strengthening and educating new parents.

Project Family will train caring individuals beginning Saturday, September 11, to lead weekly parent-infant groups two hours per week. Parents with children over one year of age are preferred. Child care will be available on-site.

Call 373-3030 for more information.

Summer reading program continues

The summer reading program at the Tracyton Community Library continues until September 1. Each child who reads 10 books will receive a free book and participation in an ice cream party. Additional reading will earn stickers.

The non-tax supported—all volunteer library, is open Monday from 1 to 5 p.m.; Wednesday from 10 a.m. to 5 p.m.; and Thursday from 1 to 8 p.m.

Call 377-3571 for more information.

Recreation resources offered for disabled

A workshop on leisure education focusing on finding and using community resources, identifying leisure needs, and accessing the community will be held Tuesday, August 17, 6 to 7:30 p.m. at the Givens School, 1026 Sydney, Room 125 in Port Orchard.

The workshop will be geared to individuals and families of people with developmental disabilities and anyone who needs support with ideas for recreation and leisure at no cost.

Bumbershoot set for Labor Day weekend

On Labor Day weekend, September 3-6, over 2,000 artists and performers in music, theater, dance, literary arts and visual arts will be showcased at Bumbershoot, the 1993 Seattle Arts Festival this year.

Daily adult admission is \$8 with an advance ticket from Payless Drug Stores (\$9 at the gate). Kids and seniors are admitted FREE on Friday and are only \$1 all other days.

Voices of Africa and the Middle East are a special focus in Literary Arts, as Bumbershoot brings Nawal El Saadawi, highly acclaimed Egyptian novelist; Abdelrahman Munif, the accomplished author from Damascus, Syria; and Terry McMillan, one of the country's most popular contemporary writers.

The ArtMarket features hand-crafted clothing, ceramics, jewelry, woo work, and other craft pieces by Northwest artisans.

Taste of Seattle, the City's oldest and most loved food event, boasts more than 30 of the region's best restaurants.

A three-story Pavilion dedicated to Children will provide storytelling, creative workshops, stage performances, and interactive games.

Bumbershoot Hotline number is 682-4FUN.

Seattle Bach Choir holding auditions

The Seattle Bach Choir is holding auditions. A mixed chorus of 40 singers under the direction of Louis Magor and Bob Kechley, meet Tuesday evenings from September through May in the Wallingford area.

Concerts are scheduled for the Seattle Art Museum, and include the masses of Igor Stravinsky and Frank Martin and works by Brahms, Badings, Britten, Elgar, Hawley, Schumann, and J.S. Bach.

To sign up to audition and for further information, call 324-4828.

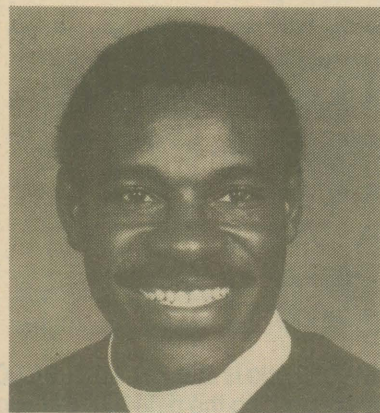
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