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TOP TEN ARGUMENTS FOR THE SCHOOL BONDS

10. No matter what school my child is assigned to or chooses to attend, I expect my child to find a school attractive to skilled teachers, a place with adequate materials, a cafeteria that's not so small it's serving lunch at mid-morning, and a roof that doesn't leak on to the computers and my child's head.

9. Ditto.
8. Ditto.
7. Ditto.
6. Ditto.
5. Ditto.
4. Ditto.
3. Ditto.
2. Ditto
1. Ditto.

HERE'S WHERE TO VOTE THIS WEEK

Monday, Oct. 23 -- BOE 8 am-7 pm; Libraries 10 am-7 pm
Tuesday, Oct. 24 -- BOE 8 am-7 pm; Libraries 10 am-7 pm
Wednesday, Oct. 25 -- BOE 8 am-7 pm; Libraries 10 am-7 pm
Thursday, Oct. 26 -- BOE 8 am-7 pm; Libraries 10 am-7 pm
Friday, Oct. 27 BOE 8 am-7 pm; Libraries 10 am-7 pm
Saturday, Oct. 28 BOE 10 am-4 pm; Libraries 10 am-4 pm

The sites:

BOE: Board of Elections, 741 Kenilworth Ave., Suite 202

The Libraries:

Beatties Ford, 2412 Beatties Ford Road

Independence, 6015 Conference Drive

Main, 310 N. Tryon St.

Morrison, 7015 Morrison Blvd.

North, 16500 Holly Crest Ln., Huntersville

South, 5801 Rea Road

Universty City, 301 East W.T. Harris Blvd.

West, 2157 West Blvd.

TUNE IN TO LEAGUE DEBATE

The League of Women Voters debate on the Nov. 7 school bond issue airs on WTVI on Tuesday, Oct. 24 at 10 p.m. Thereafter it will be rebroadcast numerous times on Channel 16 and Time Warner Cable 58. The panel includes the Rev. Claude Alexander and Kim Phillips, co-chairs of the Vote YES All Bonds 2000 Committee; Lewis Guignard, president of Citizens for Effective Government; and Reggie King representing the Northwest Alliance. Questions will come from moderator Sterlin Benson Webber, anchor and education reporter for WCNC.

NEW USES FOR YOUR OLD MAC EQUIPMENT

Thanks to Suzy and Bill Mauney, whose donations of old Macs and printers are being prepared for use in the Fellowship's work. The Fellowship seeks loans or donations of any operable Macintosh computers, ZIP drives and laser printers. Reply by e-mail with what you have to offer and your phone number and we'll call about pickup.

Send us e-mail addresses for people you think would like to receive this publication. Your comments and contributions are also welcome. To write about your school's activities, just do it -- then send it to us.

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Lucy Bush, president

B.B. DeLaine, vice president

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The Swann Fellowship was named for Darius and Vera Swann, who on behalf of their son James became the lead plaintiffs in Swann vs. Mecklenburg in the 1960s. Darius Swann was the first African American Presbyterian missionary ever assigned outside of Africa. His experiences in India led him to appreciate the value of an integrated society for human development.

The vision:

As people of faith, our vision is that all children in the Charlotte-Mecklenburg School System

will have excellent educational opportunities which are both equitable and integrated.

The background:

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