



SAVVYouth News

Successful, Academically and Vocationally Prepared, Victorious Youth

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Capital Area Outstanding Youth Participants



Juana Riggleman

The DuBois Center's Hope Builders Program

Juana Riggleman (*right*), pictured above with the Hope Builders coordinator, Ruth Brown (*left*), enrolled in the Hope Builders program in January 2004. Juana entered the program as a 21-year-old mother with four small children, each with chronic health concerns. Juana's goals are to earn her GED and obtain employment so she can support her family.

Since enrolling in Hope Builders, Juana has completed a basic carpentry skills class, a 97.5 hour Steps to Self-Sufficiency course, and Capital Area's "Leadership in the Workplace" week where Juana was awarded "Employee of the Week". She also works full-time for Briggs and Sons Tires as a sales manager. She translates for Spanish-speaking customers for a twelve store area and has earned Bridgestone-Firestone Pro Cert Certification and Goodyear University Certification. She continues to work on obtaining her GED.

Juana is an outstanding example to her peers and to her children that no barrier is impossible to overcome.

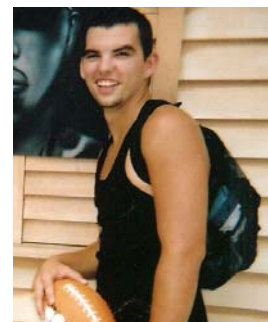
Robin Evans

Johnston County Industries's Yes I Can Program

Robin Evans came to the Yes I Can program through his involvement with the Re-Entry program. He was attending court-ordered anger management classes at Re-Entry due to behavior problems in school. His behavior and lack of self control led him to quit public school. Robin decided to earn a GED, but that presented some challenges as well.

Since enrolling in the Yes I Can Program, Robin has significantly increased his reading and math skills and will be ready to test for his GED very soon. Robin also decided he wants to pursue a career in law enforcement. For National Job Shadowing Day, he shadowed a Johnston County probation officer and learned a lot from his experience. The probation officer had high praise for Robin and asked how she could work with him to pursue his career goals.

Robin's contagious smile and determined work ethic are inspiration to his peers and the staff of the Yes I Can program.



Capital Area SAVVYouth Highlights

- Cristal Joyner of the Youth and Educational Achievement Center's Career Academy passed the Social Studies and Science components of the GED Exam. Congratulations Cristal!
- Kenny Burton and Sevante Bishop of Haven House's Project READY recently started college. Kenny is attending Durham Technical Community College and Sevante is attending Wake Technical Community College. Both youth are doing well in their studies while holding down jobs. Way to go, guys!
- Kiara Barbour, Shonte Hale, Stephanie Holsonback, and Tiffany McDaniel of Johnston County Industries's Yes I Can program provided child care at the Hurricane Katrina Job Fair held at the McKimmon Center on September 20th. These young people watched children so their parents

could attend the Job Fair. Thanks for giving of your time to help others!



Tiffany McDaniel assisted with child care at the Hurricane Katrina Job Fair.

- Claudia Harris of The DuBois Center's Hope Builders program is working for Executive Staffing, starting to work on her GED through Wake Technical Community College's online GED program, and just moved into her first apartment. Great Job, Claudia!

What's Up?

Youth Happenings in Wake and Johnston Counties

**Southeast Regional Financial
Education Center's
2nd Annual Financial Literacy
Youth Conference
NCSU McKimmon Center
Raleigh, NC
Saturday, October 8, 2005
8:00 am - 4:30 pm
(Ages 13 - 18)**

This event will feature workshops on budgeting, banking and savings, and credit and investing. Participants will be challenged to develop a budget based on various education and employment levels while ensuring everyday needs and situational crises are met.

Cost

\$10.00 per participant, including adult participants/chaperones. All workshops training materials, continental breakfast and lunch are included. The morning of the event, participants who bring 5 canned goods for the NC Food Bank will receive a \$5.00 refund.

For more information contact (919)539-2069 or serfec@yahoo.com

**The Triangle Lost Generation
Task Force's
First Annual Youth Summit
The Carolina Theater
Durham, NC
Saturday, September 24, 2005
8:30 am - 5:00 pm
Concert begins at 6:00 pm**

This summit is part of a community-based strategy to help stem the tide of the dramatic increase of young African-American youth engaging in unlawful activities and receiving long term active prison sentences.

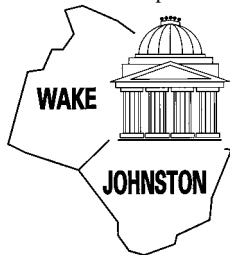
Workshops topics include respect, the law, gang prevention, high risk behaviors, motivational speakers and a town hall meeting where youth can speak out.

To register visit <http://www.king-raleigh.org/youthsummitregister.cfm> or call the Triangle Lost Generation Task Force (919)833-5834 for more information.

SAVE THE DATE

2nd Annual Johnston / Wake County Youth Summit

Capital Area
Workforce Development Board



Youth Council

Co-hosted by
Capital Area
Youth Council
&
North Carolina
Cooperative Extension
Wake County 4-H
Youth Development



Johnston and Wake County youth ages 14-21 are invited to participate in the Second Annual Johnston / Wake County Youth Summit.

The purpose of this Summit is to help better equip youth for future success in employment or educational pursuits. There will be workshops, Career / Job Fair, and other great learning opportunities for youth. There is no cost to attend.

More information will be coming soon!

March 2, 2006

8:30am - 2:00pm

Millbrook United Methodist Pryor-Bradford Building

For More Information:

Call 919-856-7005 or email melissa.hale@co.wake.nc.us

SAVVYouth News is a publication about Capital Area youth activities, as well as other youth organizations and activities in Johnston and Wake Counties. If you have any questions or suggestions, please contact the editor: Melissa Hale, Youth Services Coordinator at PO Box 550 (300 S. Salisbury Street, Suite 400) Raleigh, NC 27602, phone: 856-7005, email: Melissa.Hale@co.wake.nc.us.

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Smithfield, NC 27577
(919) 938-2628

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Raleigh, NC 27601
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**Capital Area Youth JobLink
College and Career Resource Sites**

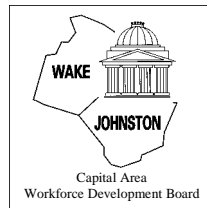
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Garner Road YMCA
2235 Garner Road
Raleigh, NC 27610
(919) 833-1256

Princeton Public Library
101 Dr. Donnie Jones Blvd.
Princeton, NC 27569
919-936-5011

Check out the Capital Area Youth Website for more information:

www.joblinkcc.com/savvyouth



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