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ctors.
The purpose of the foundation is to support programs and develop leadership to run programs will produce a number of adults who carry a new of values, an improved set skills, a new sense of idence and direction, and self-determination to seek time jobs. Programs eted for development are: on Youth Leadership raining "Take Five ademy" on Urban Computer echnology Center anhood Training program

- Joint summer boost up program venture with "A Chance to Grow" reading program.
- African American Academy for Accelerated Learning: An Afro Centric Intergenerational, Experiential Education Program

The Foundation's chairperson is Dr. Jacqueline Richardson; President, Joe Richardson; Vice President, Lavern Avent; Secretary, Janette Walker; and Treasurer, Mike Andrews. Other board members are: Rev. Curtis Herron, Jack Foster, Paulette Jackson and Barbara Washington.

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ghborhood deterioration v occurring. The group authored a petition to sent at the next meeting the Minnesota Sentencing idelines Commission umber 15. Recently, the ition was adopted by the ntral Neighborhood rovement Association. The petition calls for a nificant increase in alties for the possession sale of any amount of aine base (crack) and ands imprisonment of ond offenders in a state rection facility. Prison

terms, the petition says, would have to be long enough to exercise an effective general deterrent on the population of user-dealers and potential user-dealers now operating in the Twin Cities.

Under current Minnesota sentencing guidelines, crack and cocaine buyers must be convicted seven times before being charged with a prison term. Crack and cocaine dealers must be convicted four times before they are imprisoned.

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simple answer and serving careful consideration.

Let's begin with the basic question: "Why should we participate in the political process in the first place?" If

have any desire to contribute to positive political change in our communities, building a positive social and economic foundation for future generations, then the

them, or for them, If you don't vote, it won't take you long to figure out that few politicians give a rat's hat about your concerns when you go calling.

Does it require lots of money, time and political savvy to be a part of bringing about political change? Absolutely not! You can do as little to vote in primary or general elections, or you can

David Duke on the next "Jesse Jackson"

Louisiana state Rep. David Duke, former grand wizard of the Knights of the Ku Klux Klan, who received 44% of the vote in a losing bid for the U.S. Senate earlier this month, discusses racism in America with Jesse Jackson this Saturday, November 3 and Sunday, November 4 on the nationally syndicated "Jesse Jackson" television series.

Does discrimination in this country get the Presidential seal of approval? Last week

President Bush vetoed the Civil Rights Act of 1990. "Jesse Jackson" scrutinizes the impact of the veto, the escalation of racism crimes on today's college campuses and looks at the television and film industry's depiction of minorities.

David Duke and Jackson will be joined by others in a panel discussion to analyze these and other areas where racism is often excepted or ignored by a growing number of Americans.

Diversity Award - For the decade goes to Perpich



L to R: Judges Michael Davis, Pamela Alexander, Governor Rudy Perpich, LaJune, Lange and Harry Crump.



L to R: Carl Doss, Hennepin County Atty.; Donald Lewis, a Popham Haik Partner; Gov. Perpich; and Jarvis Jones, President Minnesota Minority Lawyers.



Ted Wilson, Henn. County Court Administrator (left) and Governor Perpich (right).

Politics is a "feel-like thing, and you can go all the way to running for political party office, or you can opt out at any point you wish. Only one thing is certain and that is that you only get out of it what you put into it.

Operating on the belief that African-Americans wish to contribute to community and society, let's discuss more of the specifics.

How do we select candidates and what criteria do we use? Well to begin, we go through the same process as everyone else. We examine the track record, intelligence, capacity and integrity of each candidate, we check out their references, and we develop some feel for where they are at in relation to issues which concern us as African-Americans.

This means we should attend candidate forums, read the literatures we receive and have political discussions about issues which affect us

The Minnesota Minority Lawyers Association has selected Governor Rudy Perpich to receive the highly sought Diversity Award for the Decade. Recognizing the accomplishments of Governor Perpich in state government boards, commissions and the judiciary. MMLA recognizes the importance of the permanent jobs and professional opportunities for persons of color in the last decade.

Ted Wilson is the first African American Court Administrator. Jessie Overton is the first African

American to serve on the State Board of Public Defense.

Perpich has appointed more persons of color to state positions and the judiciary than any other governor in the state's history. Perpich and other award recipients will be recognized at the MMLA gala November 17, 1990 at the Radisson University Hotel.

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Ground breaking ceremony held for Central Neighborhood Park in Minneapolis

A ground breaking ceremony for Central Neighborhood Park in south Minneapolis was held Sunday, October 21, 1990. The site of the latest park project of the Minneapolis Park & Recreation Board is the former campus of Minneapolis Central High School. Approximately two dozen people including representatives of the Minneapolis Park & Recreation Board, the Minneapolis City Council and the Central Neighborhood Improvement Association as well as neighborhood residents participated in

culmination of eight years of effort on behalf of the park by neighborhood residents and members of the Central neighborhood Citizen Advisory Committee -- a committee of twenty-two representing groups and individuals from the southside community.

Sandra A. Welsh, Park and Recreation Board project manager, expects the one-half million dollar park project to be complete by next July. Totalling approximately five acres in area, Central Neighborhood Park will have a thirteen hundred square foot wading pool, a tennis court, a basketball court and