

3 Durhamites Named To Outstanding Young Women of America

The Board of Advisors for the Outstanding Young Women of America Awards Program announced today that Mrs. Lana Thompson Henderson, 2304 North Duke St.; Ms. Joyce Tankard Terry, 921 Windcrest Rd.; and Ms. Constance Sartor Walker, 1016 Kent Street, all of Durham, have been selected for inclusion in the 1977 edition of OUTSTANDING YOUNG WOMEN OF AMERICA.

The Outstanding Young Women of America Program

is designed to honor and encourage exceptional young women between the ages of 21 and 36 who have distinguished themselves in their homes, in their professions and in their communities. Accomplishments such as these are the result of dedication, service and leadership - qualities which deserve to be recognized and remembered.

This is the goal of the many leading women's organizations, college alumni associates and public officials

who nominate deserving young women to participate in the program. Serving as chairman of the program's Advisory Board is Mrs. Dexter Otis Arnold, honorary president of the General Federation of Women's Clubs.

The women listed, along with approximately 10,000 fellow Outstanding Young Women from across the United States, will be presented in the prestigious annual awards volume. In addition, they are now being considered for one of the fifty-one state awards to be presented to those women who have made the most noteworthy contributions in their individual states. From these fifty-one state winners, the Ten Outstanding Young Women of America will be chosen. The ten national winners will then be honored at the annual awards luncheon to be held this fall in Washington, D.C.



VISITORS TO CITY—Prominent New York Radiologist Dr. Henry Williams and his family were taken on a tour of black businesses in the Durham community by Mrs. Manie T. Geer of Durham. During their weeklong visit, the Williams family stayed with their former neighbors, Mr. and Mrs. J. Leon Peace who now reside in Chapel Hill. Williams said he was highly impressed by the better organization of black leadership in the south and the use of "ballots" to rectify problems and injustices. His wife assists him in his Yonkers practice. (L-R) Dr. Williams, Mrs. Geer, Henry, Jr., Mrs. Peace, Mrs. Williams. (Photo by Kelvin Bell)

WACHOVIA'S MS. PERRY Handling Financial Affairs of Her Customers Is Part of Her Job

For Frankie Perry, a trust assistant for Wachovia Bank and Trust Company, friendship is an important part of her job. Handling financial affairs of her customers - another part of the job - means she must attain familiarity with matters that most people consider quite personal.

The persuasive native of Durham said, "You've got to be a friend first before the customers will confide in you."

To that end, she makes it a point to know the name of every customer who walks into the Trust Department of the main Wachovia building in Durham. Of her job she says, "I really enjoy what I'm doing. I like meeting the public, and there is little that is routine." A former elemen-



MS. FRANKIE PERRY

tary school teacher, she finds herself learning something new every day.

Lately, a lot of the news has sprung from the Tax Reform Act of 1976. Its changes in gift and estate taxes have had a profound impact on the trust business. It saves money for benefactors and beneficiaries, but makes life much more baffling for bankers, she said. Miss Perry, who at an earlier stage worked as a research assistant, now searches old financial records to find documentation for everything in her customers' trust accounts.

As a trust assistant, she works closely with the head of the department and trust officers who assist customers in determining the disposition of their estates or in the management of their assets during life. Miss Perry also works hand in hand with the battery of Durham Lawyers who represent her customers.

For example, in North Carolina a lawyer may write a will, but often it is the trust department which lays out the substance of those documents after prolonged consultation with the customer. A trust officer may not write a will for a customer; however, he or she does fill several roles for the trust department as attorney-in-fact, custodian, guardian, trustee or executor for a customer.

In dealing with customers,

Miss Perry said that she tries to find out what they want. "Never allow your own views on how their estate or trust plan should be structured or override their personal wishes, simply lay before them the various options so that they can make a sound judgment," she cautioned.

When she is not actually working at banking, she is frequently studying it. Courses she has taken encompass trust, marketing, personnel and supervision, and principles of banking. Other times she might be teaching it, as she did when she presented the trust section of a course in principles of banking to local bankers.

Miss Perry also helps new employees in their orientation with Wachovia, something she knows a lot about since she had held a wide range of positions in the banking and trust business. She joined Wachovia's trust department as an administrative assistant in 1973 and later became a trust assistant. Miss Perry spent two years at Bennett College in Greensboro and is a graduate of the University of North Carolina at Chapel Hill.

And once, just to prove herself in yet another field, she entered a public speaking competition with bankers from five states and the District of Columbia. She took third place - not bad for a beginner.

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Delta Sigma Theta Holds 34th Confab In Denver

WASHINGTON, D. C. - Presentation of the first Delta Distinguished professor chair, 2,600 letters sent to President Carter, re-election of National President Thelma Daley, and announcement of \$129,000 Corporation for Public Broadcasting grant, were some of the highlights of the 34th national Delta Sigma Theta convention held in Denver, Colorado, last week.

As part of its on-going support for black colleges, Delta Sigma Theta announced and presented its first Distinguished Professor Chair award. The award of \$25,000 - \$30,000 will be granted to one United Negro College fund institution annually and will provide the college whose proposal is accepted with funding to hire a specialist/distinguished professor for one year to teach in an area of study currently not available at the institution.

The first annual award was presented to Tuskegee Institute and accepted by its President, Dr. Luther Foster. Dr. Foster pointed out that "studies increasingly document that blacks who attend predominantly black colleges and continue on into doctoral programs do quite as well as blacks from white colleges, or any other students, in completing, with fully acceptable records, the higher degree demands."

On the opening day of the Convention, 2,600 delegates led by President Thelma Daley and Congressman Parren Mitchell, filed out of the Denver Convention Center and deposited letters to President Carter in a U.S. mail truck. The march to the mail truck was initiated by Congressman Mitchell, Chairman of the Congressional Black Caucus in his Convention address. Calling for a "comprehensive, coordinated total strategy designed to achieve full employment," Congressman Mitchell asked the audience to write President Carter for support of the Humphrey-Hawkins full employment bill. He said, "You must write and tell him. This is what we need. We can't wait any longer." The delegates responded immediately.

Mrs. Thelma T. Daley, sixteenth national president of Delta Sigma Theta, was re-elected for a second term on Friday. Election results were announced at the closing banquet.

The Corporation for Public Broadcasting grant of \$129,000 will allow the organization to conduct an awareness and audience development program to increase the interest of minorities in public television. Four target cities will be selected and strategies will be developed to create minority interest in public television.

Other highlights of the Convention were the adoption of 34 major resolutions and the initiation of three honorary members.

Among the resolutions adopted by the Convention delegates were ones on human rights, affirmative action, the Wilmington Ten, welfare reform, public funds for abortion and energy.

The organization resolved that support of affirmative action programs should be established as its foremost priority; to "oppose all challenges to affirmative action programs such as that undertaken by Allan Bakke in furtherance of its national goal of racial equality."

Other subjects covered in the resolutions were: resurfacing of hate groups, support for the U.S. Commission on Civil Rights; discrimination, negative stereotyping in the media, battered women, child

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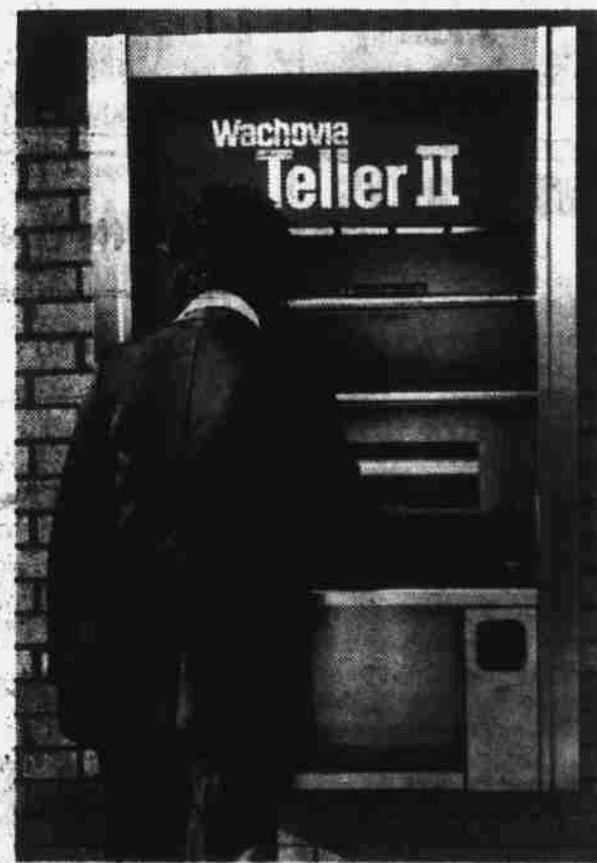
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