

Miss America to pay a visit to Winston-Salem

Miss America Marjorie Judith Vincent will be appearing at four Belk in the Triad stores on behalf of the Crafted With Pride in the USA Council. On Tuesday, Apr. 9, she will be at Belk, Hanes Mall; Winston-Salem, at 12 p.m. and at Belk, Four Seasons Town Centre; Greensboro, at 7 p.m. On Wednesday, Apr. 10, she will be at Belk, Westchester Mall; High Point, at 12 p.m., and then at Belk, Parkway Plaza; Lexington at 5 p.m.

Belk in the Triad recognizes the importance of goods manufactured in the United States and has planned two weeks of special events emphasizing this. The events will run Monday, Apr. 1 through Saturday, Apr. 13. The highlights of this promotion are the visits by Miss Vincent.

At each appearance there will be a fashion show featuring the latest in styles made in the United States. Ms. Vincent will make remarks and the autograph photos.

For Ms. Vincent, Miss Illinois, Sept. 8 was a date to remember. She not only won the coveted title of Miss America 1991 and a \$35,000 scholarship, she also became the new national spokesperson for more than 2.1 million Americans employed in the U.S. fiber, textile and apparel industry.

The 25-year-old, third-year law student now takes a leave from her studies at Duke University Law School to begin a whirlwind year of continuous travel and public appearances. As Miss America 1991, she will champion the quality and value of apparel and home fashions that bear a "Made in the U.S.A." label, urging consumers to check country of origin labels before they buy, to support the American economy and keep American jobs in the hands of Americans.

Beginning this month, Marjorie begins a national tour of store and media appearances on behalf of the Crafted With Pride in the U.S.A. Council, a four-year sponsor of the Miss America Pageant.

Her message comes at a critical time. Since 1980 the domestic apparel and home fashions industry has lost nearly 500,000 jobs due to imports. At the same time, the textile and apparel share of the troubling U.S. trade deficit reached a record 36.4% in June 1990.

Research shows that if every American consumer would switch just \$25 per year in apparel and home fashions purchases from imported to U.S.-made, he/she could help save approximately 100,000 fiber, textile, and apparel jobs being lost to foreign competition.



Miss America '91 Marjorie Judith Vincent

Marjorie will remind consumers of the importance of looking for a "Made in U.S.A." label and she appears during special store events that salute the quality and style of "Made in U.S.A." apparel and home fashions. Among her many stops will be such leading retailers as Filene's, Boston; The Jones Store, Kansas City; Joslins, Denver; ZCMI, Salt Lake City; McAlpin's, Cincinnati; Gottschalk's, Fresno; Younkers, Des Moines, and Castner Knott, Nashville.

Store executive faces embezzlement charge

Chronicle Staff report

A local department store executive, with several years of service to a major department store chain, has been charged with embezzling funds and is scheduled to stand trial next week.

Robert Rhoad, age 44 of 6075 Styers Ferry Road, was assistant manager at the Belk department store in Hanes Mall. He was arrested last Saturday by Winston-Salem police and charged with embezzling \$1,010 from the Belk store.

Rhoad had been employed

with Belk for more than 15 years according to those familiar Rhoad's employment history.

John Stack, manager of Belk, would not comment on the incident or on Rhoad's employment status with Belk saying only, "We have a practice of not commenting on any employee who leaves our employment."

Rhoad had his first appearance hearing on the charge Monday. He has been released under his own recognizance.

His trial date has been scheduled for April 12.



Former Congresswoman Shirley Chisholm (left) presents Gwendolyn Calvert Baker, national executive director of the YWCA of the U.S.A., with the Education Award from the Shirley Chisholm Cultural Institute for Children, Inc. Dr. Baker is also president of the New York City Board of Education.

Goldsboro nightspot object of civil lawsuit

Chronicle Wire Report

GOLDSBORO, N.C. (AP) — If a Goldsboro bar is found guilty of discriminating against a black customer, the only punishment would be a court injunction ordering the bar to change its ways, a federal official says.

"In these types of suits there's no monetary provision," Obery Rainey of the U.S. Justice Department said Wednesday.

A civil rights lawsuit against Donnie's Lounge, owned by Donnie Hill, was filed Monday in U.S. District Court in Raleigh. The lawsuit charged the bar with violating Title II of the Civil Rights Act of 1964 by refusing service to Bill Murray last July because he was not a member. The suit said the bar served whites who were not members.

Hill refused to comment. Murray's case was investigated by Seymour Johnson Air Force Base, Community Affairs in Goldsboro and the North Carolina

Human Relations Commission in Raleigh before being sent to the Justice Department.

Daniel Addison, assistant director of the Human Relations Commission said his office "tried to find a solution suitable to both parties (Hill and Murray) but we were not successful."

"There is no law that prohibits discrimination in North Carolina, and we have no authority to go to court like the Justice Department has done," Addison said.

"I'm sure when the Justice Department is called in, it's an added incentive to resolve the matter."

Murray, a Goldsboro resident whose wife works at Seymour Johnson, reported the incident to the Social Actions office. The base placed the bar off-limits to its personnel in November.

Donnie's was also declared off-limits in 1985 by the base for discriminatory actions. The business appealed the ban and was later taken off the list.

Fair Housing Month set

Chronicle Staff Report

In conjunction with the National recognition of April as Fair Housing Month, the Winston-Salem Human Relations Commission, New Horizons Fair Housing Committee invites the community to attend a "Families with Children" workshop directed toward housing issues and housing alternatives in the Winston-Salem area. It is one of several activities planned during the month-long celebration. The workshop is scheduled at the Main Library on 5th Street Wednesday, April 10, from 2-4 p.m.

Housing issues will be addressed from a federal, local, and individual perspective. Key presenters will be:

- Ernest Fulton, director, Fair Housing and Equal Opportunity, HUD in Greensboro;
- Angela Ingram, attorney for the city of Winston-Salem; and
- Sybil G. Mann, staff attorney, Legal Aid Society of Northwest North Carolina, Inc.

Presentations will address many issues social workers must face when assisting clients with housing needs including:

- Discrimination issues—families with children, handicapped individuals, senior adults, and PWAs;
- Barrier-free environments;
- Landlord/tenant rights; and
- Section 8 occupancy policy.

Other workshops to be held as part of the Commission's month-long celebration are: "How to Own Your Own Home," Tuesday, April 9, from 7-9 at the Fifth Street Library; and "Group Home," Wednesday, April 17, from 2-4 p.m. at Centenary Methodist Church. Workshops are free and open to the public.

Closing ceremonies on Thursday, April 25, will start at 7 p.m. at City Hall in the Board of Aldermen Chambers on the second floor. There will be a presentation of awards to the winners of the Fair Housing Month Greeting Card Contest. Friends and family members of contest participants are all invited, along with the general public.

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