

Mt. Carmel To Host Baptist Conference

The eighth annual session of the American Baptist Churches of the South will meet in Charlotte April 5-8, with Mount Carmel Baptist Church hosting.

According to Rev. Leon Riddick, pastor of Mount Carmel and first vice-president of the convention, the three day convention will be held at the Sheraton Center, 555 South McDowell St.

Registration will begin at 5 p.m. on Wednesday, April 5. The opening session will begin at 9:30 a.m. April 6 with Dr. J. Bruce Evans, president, presiding.

Highlights of the three day convention will include an address at 12:45 p.m. on April 6 by Dr. Robert Bratcher, translator of the American Bible Society and at 8 p.m. that evening the Mount Carmel choir will appear in concert.

Workshops will be held April

7, beginning at 9 a.m., and will include such topics as "Youth and the Church", "Death and Dying", "Black Theology", "The Meaning of Martin Luther King for the Black Experience", "On Being a Woman in Today's World", "The Church and Community Action", "Role of the Lay Person in the Church", "Living Hopefully Here and Now" and "Managing Time in Church Involvement".

At 8 p.m. that evening a banquet featuring Dr. Carlyle Marney, executive director of Interpreters House and former pastor of Myers Park Baptist Church will be held. Music will be by the handbell choir of St. John's Baptist Church.

The closing session on April 8 will hear Dr. H. Beecher Hicks Jr., pastor of Metropolitan Baptist Church, Washington, D.C.



OMEGA TALENT HUNT PARTICIPANTS

At Memorial United Presbyterian Church

Omega Talent Hunt Honors

By Cynthia Bell
Post Staff Writer

The Pi Phi Chapter of Omega Psi Phi Fraternity recently held its Talent Hunt at Memorial United Presbyterian Church on Beatties Ford Road. Participants were from the Junior and Senior High Schools in the area. Smith Turner, IV was the winner in the Senior Division and Leah Kay Kendrick was the winner in the Junior Division. According to R.D. Spear, these local winners will compete in the district competition in Winston-Salem, and these winners will go to the national competition to be held in Denver, Colorado during the national Conclave in the summer of 1979.

All the participants in this year's Talent Hunt were pianists. Junior Division participants were winner Leah Kay Kendrick who played "Knight Rupert" by Robert Shoemann, first runner up Gerald Van Lenoir who played "Rondo" by Wolfgang A. Mozart, second runner up Terry Regina Martin who played "Twelve Nobles (Vost Nobles)" by Franz Schubert, and Shana Lorraine Ervin who played "The Horseman" by Robert Shoemann. Smith Turner, IV who was the Senior Division winner played "Romance" by Jeab Subellius, first runner up Darryll Romaine Ervin played "Revolutionary Etude" by Frederick Chopin, second

runner up Terry Brown played "Rolonaise Militaire" by Frederick Chopin, and Gayle Harris played "Nocturne Op. 9" also by Frederick Chopin.

Winners of the first three places received plaques for their superior talents. Certificates for participation were awarded to all participants.

Pi Phi Chapter rendered musical selections while the judges were making their decisions. Their selections included "King Jesus Is A Listening," "I Hear A Voice A Praying," "One World," "Some Enchanted Evening," "Catch A Falling Star," "De-

ep River," and "Jesus Walk This Lonesome Valley."

A reception followed the Talent Hunt in the Reception Hall of the Church. The Quettes who are the wives and girlfriends of Omegas sponsored this reception. They served punch and cookies for refreshments.

Pi Phi Chapter which is the Charlotte graduate chapter of Omega Psi Phi is the largest chapter in the southeast. It currently has 200 active members. Odell W. Robinson is Basileus, O.N. Freeman and James F. Richardson are Vice Basileus, Tony Singletary is Keeper of Records and Seal, William B. McMillian is Assistant Keeper of Records and Seal, George Anderson is Keeper of Finance, R.D. Spears is Editor to Oracle, Nigel M. Aytun is Chaplain, and Robert Faulkner is Keeper of Peace.

Zoel Hargrave

Named General

Chairman

Zoel S. Hargrave Jr. has been named general Chairman of the McCrorey Branch YMCA's Annual Membership Campaign for 1978.

Hargrave, a longtime leader in civic and community circles and a YMCA board member for several years, has agreed to head a team of some 80 campaigners for the eight week campaign.

Hargrave recently completed a three year stint as Chairman of McCrorey YMCA's Board of Managers, is active in his church and fraternity.

At Amay James Center

District 3 Constituents

To Voice Their Concerns

By Sidney Moore
Post Staff Writer

Citizens from predominantly black Charlotte City Council District 3 will have a chance to voice their concerns at 7:30 p.m., Monday, April 3.

This month's "Meeting in The Neighborhoods" will be held at Amay James Recreation Center, Lester St. The site is off West Blvd., left on Amay James Ave. And then right of Lester, said a statement from the Public Service and Information Department of the city.

Under a new policy initiated by the recently elected council, meetings are held the first Monday of each month in the neighborhoods at convenient locations. Each of the seven district representatives has a chance to host a meeting to learn the concerns of his or her constituents as well as to expose other councilpersons to conditions of his segment of the community.

Councilman Ron Leeper, also an assistant manager with B & B Contracting Company, will conduct a tour through district 3 for other councilpersons and the press at 3 p.m. Leeper wants the 11 member council to become more aware of city facilities and problems within his district. He said the council will view the condition of housing, park areas, vacant lots, and other sites.

At the "Citizens Hearing", districts residents will get the chance to make sure council members understand how they feel about the toured area.

"Hopefully, citizens will come out and show that they are concerned," said Leeper. Leeper is one of three blacks elected in the 1977 General



Ron Leeper
City Councilman

Leeper believes the citizens have become involved and interested in what happens within the community as a result of council action.

Following the hearing the council will convene this regular meeting to consider issues that are yet to be announced on the agenda. Leeper expects that the 8 p.m. meeting will include discussions on residential drainage created by commercial development and the bond referendum being planned in connection with Airport construction.

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Applications For Dental Program

CHAPEL HILL--The dental assisting program at the University of North Carolina at Chapel Hill is accepting applications for the class which starts June 26.

The 10-month certificate program is open to any individual who is a graduate of an accredited high school with at least a "C" average.

All students successfully completing the program will be eligible to take the National Board for Certification of dental assistants.

The need for dental assistants is increasing rapidly and opportunities for em-

ployment are varied, says Ethel Earl, director of the UNC-CH program. Dental assistants presently are employed in private, specialty, group and hospital dental practices; government and third-party payment services; and dental assisting education.

The UNC-CH dental assisting program accepts 60 students each year. Deadline for applications is May 1.

Applications can be obtained by writing to: Admissions Office, UNC-CH School of Dentistry, Brauer Hall 211H, UNC-CH, Chapel Hill, N. C. 27514.



Mrs. Minnie Barron of 200 Solomon, retired domestic worker, is taking advantage of the beautiful spring weather to prune up her shrubbery. An avid gardener, Ms. Barron has also started work on her small patch.

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