

LOVELY SHARON NORWOOD
...CPCC Pre-Law student

Sharon Norwood

Is Beauty Of Week

By Teresa Burns
Post Staff Writer

Becoming a judge is not just a figment of our beauty's imagination. Sharon Michelle Norwood has started this journey with a mature determination, and it will probably end with a few changes in America's system of punishment.

"It's been my ambition since I was knee-high to become a judge," our beauty confessed. "I've been fascinated with law and I hope I can change things. I think a good present-day program, for instance, is where you pay for what you steal."

Ms. Norwood feels that this tactic is more civilized than the punishments most frequently used today. But in order to change a system, she realizes that first you have to know it. She is now enrolled at Central Piedmont Community College where she is majoring in psychology. She plans to attend Georgetown University in Washington, D.C. upon graduation from CPCC.

Industrious as our Libra beauty is, in addition to holding a 3.75 average at CPCC, she is also assistant manager at Joan Bari, a pocket-book store at Southpark.

She has lived in Charlotte for almost a year now, moving from her birthplace, Washington, D.C. Before moving, Ms. Norwood was in her last semester of high school at Roosevelt Senior High. To name a few activities, she was one of the founders of a law club and became its first president; was editor and chief of the school newspaper; was a member of the yearbook staff, and was a cheerleader. After moving to Charlotte she graduated from Olympic Senior High School.

Today she doesn't have the time for many extra-curricular activities. Her job and school take up surmountable portions of her time, but even this busy schedule hasn't stopped our beauty from expressing herself.

"I love to talk, meet



MIDDLE AGE is when a person starts thinking about resigning from the JET SET and joining the

people, and go out and have a nice time," she smiled. A few of her hobbies include bowling and roller skating.

Our beauty is politically minded, watches the news religiously, and feels that politicians should embark on today's issues. "I dislike the way politicians smooth talk," our beauty began. They bring up past events like Chappaquiddick involving Kennedy, that doesn't have anything to do with today."

She does however, have an optimistic view about our political system also. "People do have a chance to speak out," she explained.

Changes in any society will eventually occur. An important one according to Ms. Norwood is that women become more recognized. "Women should be more involved than what they are. Not only in politics, but in shaping the community as well."

Ms. Norwood is one of five children of Mrs. Ida Norwood. Our beauty's mother is her favorite person. "She is a very supportive person. She stands behind me and she's honest with me also."

Theesfeld Named

Assistant Controller

Pic 'N Pay Stores, Inc. (AMEX) has appointed Timothy Lyn Theesfeld to the post of Assistant Controller. The announcement was made by Edward Karp, president, of the 460 unit self-select shoe chain.

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BEOG
Schedule
Announced

Secretary of education Shirley M. Hufstader has announced a newly revised Basic Educational Opportunity Grant (BEOG) payment schedule that schools will use in calculating the amount of individual student grants in the 1980-81 academic year. This schedule supersedes an earlier version sent to schools in June.

The payment schedule takes into account the \$140 million reduction in funds that will be available for BEOG for the year which began on July 1. Under this reduction each student's 1980-81 award will be \$50 less than he or she would receive if the program were fully funded.

BEOGs may be used by students to help pay the cost of education at more than 6,000 colleges, universities and postsecondary vocational schools. All of these educational institutions have been sent copies of the new payment schedule.

The Department of Education is also revising the 1980-81 formula for assessing the earnings of dependent students who apply for BEOGs. Such students are from families whose incomes are so low that student earnings are necessary to sustain the family.

Under existing formula, approximately 50,000 applicants in this low-income category were found either ineligible for grants or eligible only for small amounts. To correct this situation before the beginning of the fall term, the Department will send these students new eligibility reports that reflect the revised income assessment formula.

The Basic Educational Grant Program is authorized under Title IV of the Higher Education Act of 1965, as amended.

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WESTSIDE COMMUNITY CO-OP BOARD OF DIRECTORS
Left to right - back row - William A. Smith, Curtis L. Ross, James Martin, Kenneth Diamond. (Front Row) Rev. Jeremiah Robinson Sr., Rev. Van W. Jackson Sr., Rev. James E. Palmer, Dr. Mildred Baxter Davis, Lillie Wall, and Rev. James Barr.

William Elder Proposed
Plan For Westside Co-OpBy Susan Ellsworth
Post Staff Writer

After 45 years in the grocery business, William D. Elder has proposed a plan for the first westside community co-op.

Elder's Supermarket is slated to become a profit sharing business owned by the members.

The grocery store, located at 2115 Beatties Ford Rd. for seven years, will

become a co-op according to Elder, its owner, after a minimum of 250 people invest.

Elder said he will receive \$130,000 for his 14,000 square foot store.

A nine-member Board of Directors will become the governing body after ownership is transferred.

Since the membership depends upon people will

ing to invest \$100 in the co-op, the exact date is not known when members will assume ownership, he said. Although Elder will no longer own the store, he will remain the manager and report to the board annually, under the current proposal.

The supermarket will continue to operate as it is, Elder pointed out, until sufficient membership is formed.

Kincaid Calls

For Conservation Research

Randall Kincaid, Ninth District Democratic Congressional candidate, said the United States must emphasize conservation and development of alternative energy sources in order to achieve crucial energy independence.

"The best and cheapest source of energy for the future is to conserve the energy we have and use it more efficiently," Kincaid said in a statement issued from his headquarters Wednesday. He condemned as irresponsible the Republican platform position for repeal of the 55 mile an hour speed limit

and an end to fuel efficiency standards for cars.

"The Republican suggestion that oil decontrol alone will solve our energy problems and eliminate the need for conservation is irresponsible," Kincaid said. "It amounts to sticking our heads in the sand." He said he favors decontrol of energy prices as a conservation incentive, but said the facts don't back up the theory that decontrol will produce vast new supplies of domestic oil.

"Even if large new supplies of oil are found, we have an obligation to future generations not to burn it

up quickly," Kincaid said.

He said conservation must have several components in addition to price decontrol. Government

should encourage research efforts to develop innovative conservation techniques. Tax incentives should be used to make conservation more economically

attractive to both individuals and businesses. And energy efficiency standards for cars, buildings and appliances should be maintained.

Government-backed research should also be concentrated on development of alternative energy sources, Kincaid said. He praised the newly-passed Energy Security Act,

which commits the nation to a major effort to develop solar power, alcohol fuels, hydropower, biomass, geothermal energy and synthetic fuels. Kin-

caid said solar power and hydropower-using small dams-appear the most promising because they can produce energy with fewer negative environmental effects.

Kincaid said despite a crash-program for alternative energy and conservation, the United States will still need conventional sources, including coal and nuclear power, at least for the short-term. He said efforts must be made to find a solution for the long-term problem of nuclear waste storage.

On the issue of police brutality, Adkins said, "Sometimes the police react with too much force, not just physical force, but other forms of harassment.

Group Plans To Develop
"Quality Grocery Store"By Anthony Hayes
Post Staff Writer

Several black community leaders have banded together in an effort to establish a food co-op. Elder's Supermarket at 2115 Beatties Ford Road will soon become the site of the Westside Community Co-Op, Inc. On June 17, black leaders met with the public to determine if a co-op would be feasible to the community. Upon reaching an agreement, a board of directors was established.

According to Rev. James E. Palmer, Chairman of the Board, "the Co-Op will serve a two-fold purpose. It can provide more jobs and at the same time offer quality food service at a reasonable price. Palmer

went on to explain that "we plan to change the entire image of the store. We will upgrade the level of services, lower the prices, supply quality merchandise, and make improvements on appearances and cleanliness. This is not simply a business venture...

we're trying to get everybody involved by attempting to do something for ourselves. It's a self-motivated program."

Those people who are interested in joining the co-op can do so through a \$100 lifetime membership fee. People who are interested, but cannot afford the membership fee, have an opportunity to work out alternatives with the board members. Curtis L. Ross (a board member) says, "The whole thing started as a result of Mr. Elder's desire to leave the grocery business. However, he did not want to leave without some type of service being offered to the community.

The purpose of the board was to establish a foundation that we could present to the public so that they would understand what we intend to do. We have negotiated an agreement to buy the store, but will not take possession until October 15 (at this time membership prices are subject to change). We are encouraging people who shop from the store to become co-op members, because we are moving away from being a variety store and concentrating on being a decent, quality grocery store."

Rev. Palmer noted that there will be several advantages to the establishment of a co-op. He explained that a co-op (having the ability to purchase merchandise by volume) would allow members the opportunity to purchase everyday cost items at a reduced price. In addition to groceries, items such as appliances, tires, and furniture could also be purchased at wholesale costs. Certain businesses (repair shops, restaurants, electricians, plumbers, car washes, etc.) may also offer discounts to co-op members.

Palmer explained that with the co-op being established, advertising would be reduced through guaranteed customers. With members as consumers, theft would also be

Curtis Ross
...Board member

eliminated. Furthermore, members will be able to participate in patronage dividends. Palmer noted that over 250 people have pledged to support the co-op through membership, and that the board is striving to achieve one thousand members as a minimum.

According to Curtis Ross, "A grocery store has existed in that location for the past twenty years, so we're not starting from scratch - it's a continuing business. The location of our store should be the hub of commercial activity for the westside. The co-op intends to elevate the service in that area." Ross also stated that the co-op is checking into the possibilities of receiving a government approval for funding, to establish youth training programs geared toward management. The co-op will also offer seminars on budgeting, counseling, consumer buying, home management, etc., to benefit its members.

The board members are: Kenneth H. Diamond, William A. Smith, Lillie Wall, Dr. Mildred Baxter Davis, Curtis L. Ross, Rev. Van W. Jackson Sr., Rev. Jeremiah Robinson Sr., Rev. James W. Barr, and Rev. James E. Palmer.

If you're interested in obtaining membership, you may sign up at Elder's or the University Park Baptist Church (2156 Senior Drive). The next public meeting will be on August 18 at 7:30 p.m. in the University Park Baptist Church.

Three Escape

From Dobbs

Training School

RALEIGH - Three youths escaped Sunday night from Dobbs Training School in Kinston.

The three were described as follows:

The first is a white male, 15 years old, stand 5'7" and weighs about 130 pounds; The second is a black male, 16 years old, stands 4'11" and weighs about 94 pounds.

The third is a black male, 16 years old, stands about 4'8" and weighs about 95 pounds. He is diabetic.

They may be armed and dangerous and may have access to an automobile. Their whereabouts are unknown.