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CROPWalk For Hungry Scheduled

Mayor Harvey B. Gantt has declared April as Cancer Crusade Month in Charlotte. He urges every citizen to support the American Cancer Society's annual Cancer Crusade, which is being conducted by hundreds of volunteers throughout Mecklenburg County.

In announcing the proclamation, Gantt cited the number of cancer research advances made in the last few years and the importance of early detection and prompt treatment in curing cancer. Approximately 2,000 men, women and children in Mecklenburg County will be treated for the disease in 1984. Each year, more than 700 cancer patients and their families receive direct services through the local unit of the American Cancer Society, and approximately 70,000 adults and youths attend cancer education programs.

"Close to three million people alive today have been cured of cancer," said Will Patterson, local 1984 Crusade Chairman. "The battle isn't over, but we are winning." Campaign goal for Mecklenburg County is \$250,000.

Winn-Dixie

Donates \$20,000 To Relief Fund

The Winn-Dixie Corporation, operating in North and South Carolina has contributed in excess of \$20,000 toward The Salvation Army's Tornado Relief Fund.

The corporate gift will be in the form of Winn-Dixie gift certificates. On Monday and Tuesday, April 9-10, representatives of Winn-Dixie presented the certificates to Salvation Army centers in Raleigh, and Charlotte, N.C. and Greenville, S.C.

The certificates, redeemable at all Winn-Dixie stores, were distributed by Salvation Army personnel directly to the disaster victims. There are numerous Winn-Dixie stores within the disaster areas of North and South Carolina.

The Salvation Army is continuing to serve the needs of the disaster victims. Salvation Army officers and volunteers will continue their counseling services and aid in finding suitable housing for the victims. Material items, such as clothing, household items and furniture are still being distributed.



Don't let the good things of life rob you of the best things



Attractive Shiffon Watkins
....Interested in helping others

Shiffon Watkins Is Beauty Of Week

By Teresa Simmons
Post Managing Editor

Now a sophomore at the University of North Carolina at Charlotte, Shiffon Watkins has, for a long time now, had her mind made up about exactly what she prefers from life.

"I've always been interested in helping others and adding something positive to society," she commented. "The most important thing I've found out about life is the importance of happiness.

A lot of things in life can get you down. But if you just take one step at a time, you can get through."

Perhaps Ms. Watkins' major in Human Development and Learning has helped her to resolve many of life's questions. Also, she has been positively influenced by one of her favorite college professors, Kelly Alexander, Jr., an instructor of Afro-American Studies.

Ms. Watkins' parents have also been an impressive force in her existence. "They have taught me a lot of important things about life...about goals and what to look for."

During her two years in college, our beauty has taken advantage of every opportunity to expand her knowledge about life in general. "My ambition is to obtain my degree and hopefully receive my Master's

degree." Ms. Watkins continued, "My long range goal is to become an educator.

She is also involved in several extra-curricular activities at the university. Being involved in the Emerging Leaders Program, and being a peer counselor and tutor for the Afro-American Studies Program, has afforded her several awards from the Afro-American Studies Department, mainly for her committed participation.

She is also a member of the Alpha Phi Alpha Court.

She has worked with the UNCC Admissions Office in recruiting black freshmen and is a tour guide for the university and hostess for visiting students.

A graduate of Charlotte Catholic High School, Ms. Watkins enjoys roller skating, cooking, traveling and meeting people. She also enjoys the music of Michael Jackson and the television program "Webster."

She has three sisters, Sheronda, Sherry and Shannon and one brother, Ricky.

Looking towards the stars is not enough for our beauty, Shiffon Watkins. Instead of simply looking, she wants to be part of the gleam that makes others happy. If you truly have that happiness, it is one valuable no one can take away.

Cancer Crusade Month

The Office of Religious Affairs at the University of North Carolina at Charlotte is sponsoring a Hunger Day on Thursday, April 12, and a fundraising "CROP" Walk for the Hungry on Saturday, April 14.

Chris Loftis will perform in concert at the Cone University Center Plaza at 12:30 p.m. on Thursday.

"CROP" is the name given to community efforts at hunger education and fundraising for Church World Service, a relief agency of 30 Protestant and Orthodox denominations. Nearly 90 cents of every dollar collected by CWS is donated to hunger relief and development agencies around the world.

People interested in supporting this program may sign up to help volunteers, as walkers, or they may sponsor other walkers. A 10 kilometer walking course has been mapped out at UNCC. The walk will begin at 1 p.m. Saturday in front of Sanford Hall at UNCC.

For more information, contact Pam Carter at 597-4068, or the Office of Religious Affairs at 597-2344, 8 a.m. to 5 p.m. week-days.

BMA To Sponsor Live

TV Debate

The Black Media Association's (BMA) Television Committee will sponsor a live debate on Charlotte's Public Access Channel 3, April 19. The debate will be among the 10 candidates running for Charlotte-Mecklenburg School Board.

The forum will be aired 7-9 p.m.

500 To Attend Legal Defense And

Education Fund's Annual Banquet

By Karen Parker
Post Staff Writer

Zoel Hargrave reported yesterday the 15th annual dinner of the N.C. Committee's Legal Defense and Educational Fund, Inc. is already a sellout.

Tickets have been sold to more than 500 people who will attend the annual fundraiser April 14, in Holiday Inn North on N. Tryon Street. "It's the first time we've sold all the tickets prior to the night of the banquet," Hargrave stated. He and his wife, Esther, are the co-chairpersons for this year's affair.



Zoel Hargrave
Even though no more tickets are available, Hargrave assured anyone

who wants to attend the banquet and hear guest speaker, Dr. Mary Frances Berry, will not be denied the opportunity. The hotel has arranged to set up dining in another part of the hotel," Hargrave pointed out. "Of course, guests who haven't bought tickets yet won't be in the same room for dining, but they will have the same meal and they will be able to hear and see the guest speaker." According to Hargrave, all guests will also be able to attend the reception, which is scheduled for 5:45 p.m. Dinner should begin at 7 p.m.

The theme is "North Carolina and National Politics -- A Change Is In Order!" Dr. Berry is formerly a U.S. Assistant Secretary for Education in the Department of Health, Education and Welfare. She was among three minorities to be fired from the Civil Rights Commission by President Reagan. However, Congress reinstated her position.

Currently, Dr. Berry is a history and law professor at Howard University. She is a senior fellow in the Institute for the Study of

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Commitment Reaffirmed To Fair Housing Law

Amendments

Put Real Teeth In Act

Special To The Post
Housing and Urban Development Secretary Samuel R. Pierce, Jr. called on government and private industry to intensify their efforts in support of the Fair Housing Law and to reaffirm "our commitment to this historic act that guarantees freedom in the choice of housing for all."

The Secretary urged officials at "all levels of government and private industry responsible for enforcing housing laws to intensify their efforts to further the purpose of the Federal Fair Housing Act."

"To deny the right to housing to any American is to deny the rights to us all," said Secretary Pierce, the keynote speaker at today's ceremonies opening National Fair Housing Month at HUD.

Ceremonies commemorating the 16th anniversary of the passage of the Fair Housing Act started last week in the HUD courtyard, featuring Secretary Pierce, Antonio Monroig, Assistant Secretary for Fair Housing and Equal Opportunity (FHEO) and former HUD Secretary Carla A. Hills.

Much progress has taken place since the Act was signed, the Secretary noted, but more remains to be done. "That is why this Administration," he said, "has proposed a series of amendments that will put real teeth into the Fair Housing Act."

Under the proposal, the Secretary of HUD would be authorized, where conciliation efforts fail, to refer individual cases to the Attorney General for judicial enforcement. The amendments also provide stiff penalties against offenders--up to \$50,000 for a first offense, and \$100,000 for a second--addition to injunctive relief.

"We must all pledge vigorous enforcement of our laws to assure equal treatment of those Americans who, for too long," said Secretary Pierce, "have been denied access to housing of their choice."

Assistant Secretary Monroig echoed the Secretary's comments adding, "This Administration supports a concerted national effort to eliminate discrimination in housing."

Moreover, the Assistant Secretary said, "all of our citizens must have a real opportunity to live in decent, affordable housing wherever it may be located."

On April 19th, a workshop will be conducted in the Department Conference Room on Disability Rights: A New Perspective in Fair Housing.

An award presentation was made by Barber-Scotia College to The Charlotte Post for outstanding community service. Shown left to right are Mrs. Betty Eddleman, BSC director of Upward

Bound, Mr. Bill Johnson, editor of The Charlotte Post, Mr. Melvin Walton, BSC director of public relations, and Mr. Timothy Holmes, BSC director of student financial aid.

Barber-Scotia College Pays Tribute To The Charlotte Post

Barber-Scotia College recently gave special recognition to The Charlotte Post with an award for "Outstanding Community Service." The activity took place at a luncheon which the college hosted for the newspaper and its editor and publisher, Mr. Bill Johnson.

"Through the years, The Charlotte Post has provided excellent coverage of Barber-Scotia College," says Mr. Melvin Walton, BSC director of public relations.

Barber-Scotia College has a large number of alumni, students, parents, and friends of the institution who live in the Charlotte area. The Charlotte Post is a medium by which we have been able to communicate to our various constituencies.

This is the least that we can do to let the newspaper and its fine staff know that we appreciate their successful efforts."

In accepting the award,

Mr. Bill Johnson, editor of The Charlotte Post, said he

was overwhelmed and surprised to receive an award from such a fine institution as Barber-Scotia College.

"It always makes those of us in this business feel great when someone pats you on the back and says that you are doing a fine job."

"I hope," Mr. Johnson adds, "that this relationship will continue to grow with the both of us working together to make this a better community."

Mr. Walton noted that The Charlotte Post's coverage extends far beyond

the newspaper.

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