

Amay James Presbyterian Church Honors Mrs. Robinson

By Teresa Simmons
Post Managing Editor

Creola Robinson, a member of Amay James Presbyterian Church since 1946, received recognition and a plaque recently from the members of the church. The plaque, which read "For Dedication, Leadership and Stewardship," was presented to Mrs. Robinson by Julia Abernathy and the ladies of Amay James.

Presently Mrs. Robinson is the "Mother of the Church." She has taught the Junior Sunday School Class; she was secretary of the church; superintendent of the Sunday School; president and treasurer of the Women of the Church; and treasurer of the Building Fund of the church.

Perhaps the aspect of church work that touches Mrs. Robinson's heart most is the fate of the young people of the church. She began planning outings and trips for the youth of the church. To this day she receives frequent visits and dozens of cards from her "children" on Mother's Day and on her birthday.



Mrs. Creola Robinson
....."Mother of the Church"

She has no living natural children. But there are so many who feel that Mrs. Robinson is the type of lady they would want to call

"mama." Instead of calling Mrs. Robinson, granny or something of that sort, many just refer to her as Miss

Creola. You would never think of her as 76 years old.

The best thing to do is not to mention "old" around Miss Creola anyway.

She'll simply explain to you that she is not old at all. Indeed Miss Creola is a unique person - one who is loving, kind but most of all honest.

"Some people may not agree with me," Miss Creola began, "but people today are more honest than when I was young. It is important to be open about what you do because you may hide something from your neighbor but God sees it."

One may consider Miss Creola a little ahead of her time. Born in Charlotte she readily admits to having a whirlwind of a personality - always expressing herself - at least on every occasion except one.

"I was a cook," Miss Creola started. "And I have served for President Roosevelt and General Eisenhower. Once Eisenhower said that the only thing a Negro could do with a strip was to dig

do not to go out and say something to him."

Then on another occasion Miss Creola had answered the door of her employees. Upon greeting Eisenhower who said "Is the man of the house available?" she promptly responded "Good evening to you too General Eisenhower!"

Miss Creola is a lady of spunk. She is one extremely opposed to hypocrisy and lying. "In some cases parents may drive their children away from home by lying about what they do and by being hypocritical." If one smokes and drinks behind closed doors, but talks negatively about others who smoke and drink in public; the first is just as bad or worse than the latter, Miss Creola explained.

Miss Creola advises youth to be the best. "Anything you go into give it all you have. Go as far as you can go. Don't ever feel that

it can't be done better. There is always room for improvement. Think of something to make it better and be independent."

As "Mother of the Church" Miss Creola emphasizes the importance of attending church: "It's important to go to church. If the person can give me a message it can become food for thought - something to make me think. Then when they come down from the pulpit they are just people like you and me."

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Graham Receives Pogue Scholarship

By James Cuthbertson
Special To The Post

Carol Graham, Charlotte Post "Senior of the Year", has been awarded the prestigious Pogue Scholarship to the University of North Carolina at Chapel

Hill. The Pogue is worth \$13,400 and covers four years of study at UNC. Graham graduated number one in her class with a 5.2 class rank index aver-

age. She was a member of the Drama Club, High Q, National Honor Society and tennis team. Honors included French II and III awards, Order of

the Trojan induction, Harvard Book Club award, Who's Who and Chief Junior Marshal. Ms. Graham is an achiever.

"Determination is one of my most favorite traits," Ms. Graham said. "Those who apply themselves can overleap any obstacle. I speak from experience."

Other trojans receiving scholarships were Anita Mobley and Ruben Johnson.

Mobley received a \$4,718 per year scholarship to Johnson C. Smith University.

The captain of the varsity cheerleading squad and Homecoming Queen possessed a 3.5 average in her three years at Olympic.

The former Charlotte Post "Beauty of the Week" is excited about her future at Johnson C. Smith University.

Johnson received a Pipeline engineering scholarship to UNCC and \$1,000 Kappa Alpha Psi Scholarship Beautification Militaire Scholarship.

He will attend UNCC. Johnson was active at Olympic with a class rank index average of 4.0.

He played football and was in Project Excel and a member of the Honor Society.

Needy Children To Receive Free Lunches This Summer

Needy children in Charlotte and Mecklenburg County will receive free lunches this summer through a special program sponsored by the Division of Child Nutrition of the Charlotte-Mecklenburg Schools.

The free lunch program, designed to serve children in areas with high concentrations of low income families, will operate June 11 - July 27. Children who

receive free lunches during the school year generally will qualify for the summer program.

Funds for the program are provided by the U.S. Department of Agriculture through the Special Food Service Program for Children. The money is channeled to the Charlotte-Mecklenburg Schools through the Division of Child Nutrition of the N.C.

Department of Public Instruction.

The local program, which is in its tenth year, is coordinated jointly by the city and county recreation departments, churches, the housing authority and civic groups. Here is a list of schools and areas that will be served: Hawthorne Junior High, Metro Center, Spauld Middle School, Highland Elementary, Kennedy Junior High, Hidden Valley Elementary, Billingsville Elementary, Lincoln Heights, Devonshire Elementary, Oaklawn Elementary and Barringer Elementary. West Charlotte High School, Harding High and First Ward Elementary School will prepare food only for transportation to various church and recreation sites.

YWCA Summer Term

Registration is now underway for the summer term of classes at The YWCA, both the Park Rd. and Uptown Centers.

Summer term runs from June 11 through August 19. Again the organization is offering total programming - meeting the educational, personal develop-

ment and fitness needs, primarily of women. Many coed programs, however, are also offered.

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