

Around Charlotte

•The City of Charlotte is seeking applications from neighborhood organizations for grants to improve communities. The deadline for applications is Sept. 16. For more information, contact Shirley W. Stevenson at 336-2349.

•The Charlotte Writers Club announces its annual article contest, open to residents of North Carolina, York and Lancaster County, S.C. Non-fiction works of 750-2,000 words should be submitted by Sept. 16. For more information, contact Donna Emmery at 332-1889.

•Interested in singing the National Anthem at Charlotte Hornets games? Auditions will be held Sept. 24 from 9-4 p.m. at the Hornets Training Center in Rock Hill. For more information call, 357-0252, Ext. 4866 or 4855.

•Charlotte-Mecklenburg Schools and UNC Charlotte have teamed up to offer a college engineering course for high school students. For more information, contact Lisa Troutman at 547-2213.

•Duke University's Certificate in Nonprofit Management Program will begin in early September at UNC Charlotte. The program offers practical training for people in the nonprofit sector, churches or government agencies. For more information, contact Dana Bradley at 547-3941.

•Partners in Hope, a program of Crisis Assistance Ministry, will present Education for Partnership: Information & Training Sessions for People Interested in becoming Partners in Hope volunteers on Tuesday and Sept. 24 from 7-9 p.m. at Crisis Assistance Ministry. For more information, call 371-3001, Ext. 124.

•The Charlotte Repertory Orchestra will hold auditions this month for all instruments. Orchestra programs will include classical and contemporary music. For more information, call 532-5320, 10 a.m. to 8 p.m.

•The Alzheimer's Association Caregiver Support Group will meet Tuesday at noon at the Adult Care and Share Center, 6709 Idlewild Road. The facilitator will be

Jane Moore of Adult Care and Share. For more information, call Moore at 567-2700.

•The Lockwood Neighborhood Association will meet at the Fighting Back Cluster II Resource Center, 1500 North Tryon St., on Monday at 7:30 p.m. The guest speaker will be Jane Burts of the Charlotte Organizing Project.

•Applications are currently being accepted for the Today's Young Woman Leadership Development program sponsored by Class Project 2000. The program, which provides lessons in life skills and community services will run from May 1997. For more information, call Theresa Williams Bethea 382-0294.

•Johnston Memorial YMCA, 3025 N. Davidson St., will present a free lecture on first-time home buying Monday at 6:30 p.m. For more information, call 333-6206.

•The Mecklenburg County Parks and Recreation Department will hold its annual two-person catfish tournament on Saturday at 2 p.m. at Ramsey Creek Park on Lake Norman. The entry fee is \$35 per team. For more information call, Steve Fraher at 896-9808.

•The United Way will kick off its 1996 campaign with a 5 kilometer fun race at 8 a.m. Saturday. The race will begin at the United Way building at Third and Brevard street

•Winston-Salem State University will invest Alvin J. Schexnider as its 10th chief administrator on Friday at 2 p.m. in Kenneth Williams Auditorium on campus. For more information, call (910) 750-3153.

•The Plyler-Forbis reunion will be held Sept. 14 from noon to 5 p.m. at Pleasant Grove Church Campground in Mineral Springs. For more information call Brenda Plyler at (919) 467-1939.

•Arthritis Patient Services, a United Way Agency, will begin a new group for young arthritis and chronic pain sufferers and their significant others. The group will meet today at 7 p.m. at 801 Baxter St., Suite 404. For more information, call 331-4878.

•The Carolinas Association of Black Women Entrepreneurs Inc. will be taking orders for Christmas and Kwanzaa holiday cards to benefit their business loan fund. For more information, call 391-7446.

•CABWE will host a car wash and business market expo on Saturday at the Amoco West Boulevard Grocery, 1601 Remount Road.

•Presbyterian Hospital will sponsor a Grocery Store Tour Sept. 12 at 7 p.m. Leading the tour will be a registered dietician who will teach participants how to read labels and make the best nutritional choices. For more information, call 384-4119.

•Presbyterian and the Central YMCA will also offer a 15-week lifestyle and weight management program. Orientation will be Friday at noon at the Central YMCA on Morehead St.

•Friends and Supporters for Harvey Gantt for Senate will host a fall promenade fashion show and a Buck Long production on Sunday at the Charlotte International Trade Center, Palmetto Ballroom. Tickets are \$20. For more information, call 376-3293.

•Portraits of Color Inc., will offer a comprehensive cultural arts and development program for children and youth ages 5-18. The program will begin Sept. 23 and last 12 weeks. The enrollment fee is \$75 per discipline. For more information, contact Pamela Phifer, 535-3633.

•Pat Grigg, director of the Mecklenburg County Women's Commission, has been awarded a public service award for outstanding accomplishments in the area of equal opportunity by the National Association of Public Sector Equal Opportunity Officers Inc. Grigg was awarded the honor during the recent NAPSEO annual conference at the Adam's Mark Hotel.

Grigg, a 21-year employee of the county, has been director of the Women's Commission since 1990.

•The Women's Commission is beginning its annual HERO program, a counseling group for children 6-13 who have

witnessed domestic violence in the home. The program is funded by a Governor's Crime Grant and is free to participants. For more information, call 336-3790.

•The UNC Greensboro Alumni Association will sponsor "Friday at Five," an after-work event in Downtown Greensboro on Sept. 13 at 5 p.m. Admission is \$3.

•The Metrolina Food Bank will host "Hunger's Hope Golf Tournament" at Providence Country Club Sept. 16. Registration begins at 11 a.m. Tee off is scheduled for 1 p.m. Proceeds from the event will benefit the Food Bank's distribution of grocery items to more than 400 food assistance programs in 17 counties.

•The Tuesday Morning Breakfast Forum will meet at McDonald's Cafeteria, 2810 Beatties Ford Road. The discussion topic for the session will be the Charlotte-Mecklenburg School System, and feature new superintendent Eric Smith. For more information, contact Sarah Stevenson at 392-9503.

•The Oaklawn Community Improvement Organization will hold its annual picnic on Saturday from 2-6 p.m. at the corner lot of Orvis Street and Russell Avenue.

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Graham attacks racism

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where they had stolen the wagon.

"I will never forget it," he said. "I was only 4."

That experience, and the memories of being ostracized by his African American peers in junior high school, led Graham to adopt the stance he has and to seek to expose racism.

"(Blacks students) called me an oreo," he said. "They made fun of the way I talked."

Graham found humor the best way to cope. And laugh

he did. He developed a keen intellect and a sharp, occasionally derisive, sense of humor. In "Member of the Club," he conducts his own personal survey of how he was treated in fancy restaurants. In spite of his gold credit cards and \$600 suits, he did not find one restaurant where he was treated as equal. There was always something different about his experience.

"I didn't go into it because I wanted special treatment," he said. "I just wanted to be treated as an equal."

He also didn't mean to cause a stir when he outed several prominent African American thinkers and leaders who have married whites.

He is still surprised by the number of whites and blacks who were offended by the chapter in the book that dealt with interracial dating.

"I am not against interracial dating," he says adamantly. "But I do not like it when black men say they do not find black women attractive. That is evidence of our self-hatred."

Powe honored with award

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Stroud to enrich the lives of the children in the area. It is through the foundation that Powe has reached the most people.

She combined her work with girls through The National Association of Negro Business and Professional Women's Clubs youth division and ASF.

"I feel the need to reach out to girls from less affluent homes," Powe said.

Recently Powe took a group of ASF girls to NANBPWC's annual convention.

"I believe in exposure for children," she said. "I want them to get a taste of the other side of life."

Powe says she will continue to help others and continue to

fight for opportunities for children. Her own childhood, shadowed, by segregation and Jim Crow, instilled in Powe the importance of service. She is especially touched to receive the award named for Shadd, a fellow West Charlotte graduate and close friend.

"I didn't have it easy as a child," Powe said. "No black people did."

Moonshine a dying art form in mountains

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made remedies that called for corn liquor were replaced by modern medicine.

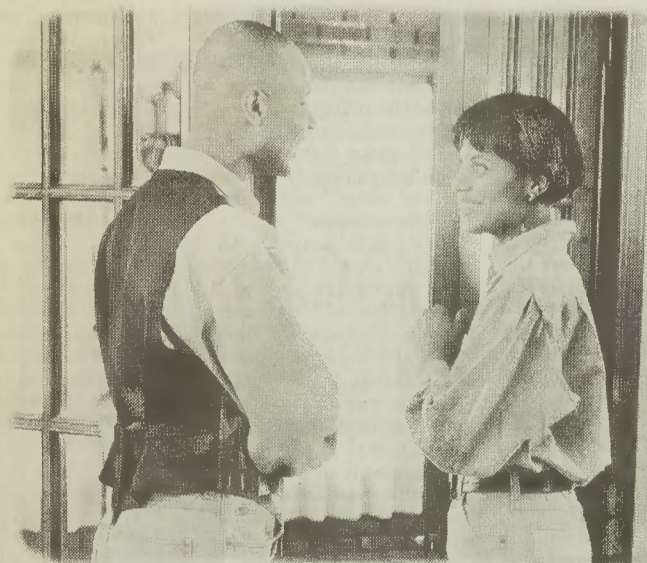
Today, court records on moonshining cases are rare. The last cases in both Jackson

and Macon counties related to "non-tax paid alcohol" were in 1990, and the federal Bureau of Alcohol, Tobacco and Firearms- descendants of the federal revenue agents - closed its Asheville office in 1983. By 1990, the number of

still destroyed statewide was only 18.

As many of the old greats of the moonshine trade die off, they are taking with them the knowledge of how to "make a good run," scholars and local residents say.

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