

Around Charlotte

News of Note

•Remember, November is Homeless Awareness Month.

•Chidi Ahanotu, a defensive end for the Tampa Bay Buccaneers, has donated \$10,000 to Discovery Place. Ahanotu, nephew of Discovery Place vice president Rudy Cooper, discovered the museum last year during a visit to Charlotte. The donation will be used to purchase computers for the Exhibits/Research and Planning Department.



Ahanotu

•NationsBank will open several uptown lots for free parking after 5 p.m. on weekdays and on weekends. Locations included are Fifth and Church streets, Sixth Street and the International Trade Center parking lot.

•The Retired Seniors Volunteer Program is recruiting senior volunteers to teach English, tutor school children or become foster grandparents. For more information, contact Chauna Wall at 522-6222.

Thursday

•The National Black Police Association will begin its winter conference at the Adams Mark Hotel. For more information, call 597-5980.

•Sesame Street Live hits Ovens Auditorium today at 10:30 a.m. and 7 p.m. Tickets are \$7 for opening day. Live runs through Sunday and features all of the Sesame Street favorites, from Bert to Zoe. For additional show times, call 372-3600. Tickets are available through all TicketMaster Outlets.

Friday

•The Mecklenburg County Women's Commission will present Age Prevention-A Lifestyle, featuring Health educator Ruth Gordon Howard. Howard will discuss how an active lifestyle can improve appearances and make a diet obsolete. The lecture will be held at the Adams Mark Hotel, 555 McDowell St. at 11:30 p.m. Tickets are \$13.50.

Saturday

•The Charlotte Chapter of the North State Law Enforcement Officers Association will sponsor a dance at Ramses Temple, 4919 Beatties Ford Road at 9 p.m. Admission is \$10. The dance is part of the National Black Police Association's Winter Conference, which runs through Sunday at the Adams Mark Hotel. For more information, contact George Dunlap at 597-5980.

•The Mecklenburg County Park and Recreation Department will sponsor "Hang Time" for teens age 13-17 at the Naomi Drenan Recreation Center, 750 Beal St. The program offers teens a safe place to "hang out" as well as enrichment activities and discussion groups. For more information, call 342-3405.

•Concord Recreation and National Dance-Exercise Instructor's Training Association are co-sponsoring an aerobics certification workshop. For registration information or directions, call (704) 786-0140.

•Sigma Gamma Rho Sorority will celebrate its 74th founder's day at the Renaissance Place, 631 North Tryon St. on Nov. 10, from 4 - 6 p.m. Special recognition will be given to Mattie Caldwell, Isaiah Caldwell, Willie Bullock, Madie Simpson, Ron Goodwin, Wanda Montgomery.

•The American Cancer Society will host its annual Red Sword Ball on at 6:30 p.m. at the Marriott City Center. Tickets are \$150 a piece. For more information, 376-1659.

•The Mecklenburg County Health Department and the Junior League will sponsor Big Shot Saturday from 9 - 11 a.m. at the Target Stores on Independence and South Blvd. in Pineville. The event, during which free immunizations will be given to children 12 and under. For more information, call 336-4559.

•The Charlotte Chapter of the National Black Nurses Association will celebrate its 12th Anniversary and Scholarship Award Program on at 6 p.m. at the Hilton University Place. The keynote speaker will be Sammie Potts, president of Barber-Scotia College. Tickets are \$25. For more information, call 882-6170 or 596-7216.



Potts

Sunday

•Planned Parenthood of the Southern Piedmont and Carolina Mountain will celebrate the 15th season of its teen theatre troupe Focus. The

troupe, which has performed for more than 50,000 during its 15-year run, will premiere tonight at the Booth Playhouse at the Blumenthal Performing Arts Center in Charlotte. A reception will follow in the theatre lobby. Admission is free. For more information, call 377-3503.

Monday

•The Uptown YMCA will offer two safety seminars led by the Charlotte Police Department at 12 p.m. Police officers will offer safety tips and self-defense tactics. Classes are free to the public. The class will be repeated on Wednesday at 5:30 p.m. For

more information, call 333-9622.

Tuesday

•United Family Services will offer courses to help children involved in divorce. Classes will meet today and Nov. 19. For more information, call 332-9034.

•"A Chorus Line," Broadway's longest-running theatrical production, hits Charlotte for a limited engagement at Oven Auditorium. Show times are today through Saturday at 8 p.m. and Sunday at 7 p.m. Matinees will be held at 2 p.m. on Saturday and Sunday. For more information call 372-1000.

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