

Belle rings out her poetry

The poetry of a Bennett Belle has been selected to be published in a national publication.

"Life in the Light," by Stephanie McCorkle, a junior majoring in mass communications, will soon be included in "The Coming of Dawn," a wealth of today's poetry compiled by the National Library of Poetry along with other selected entries

McCorkle, a Raleigh native, said that she has been writing poetry for about 10 years.

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Trio programs to be honored Now is the time to give to UNCF

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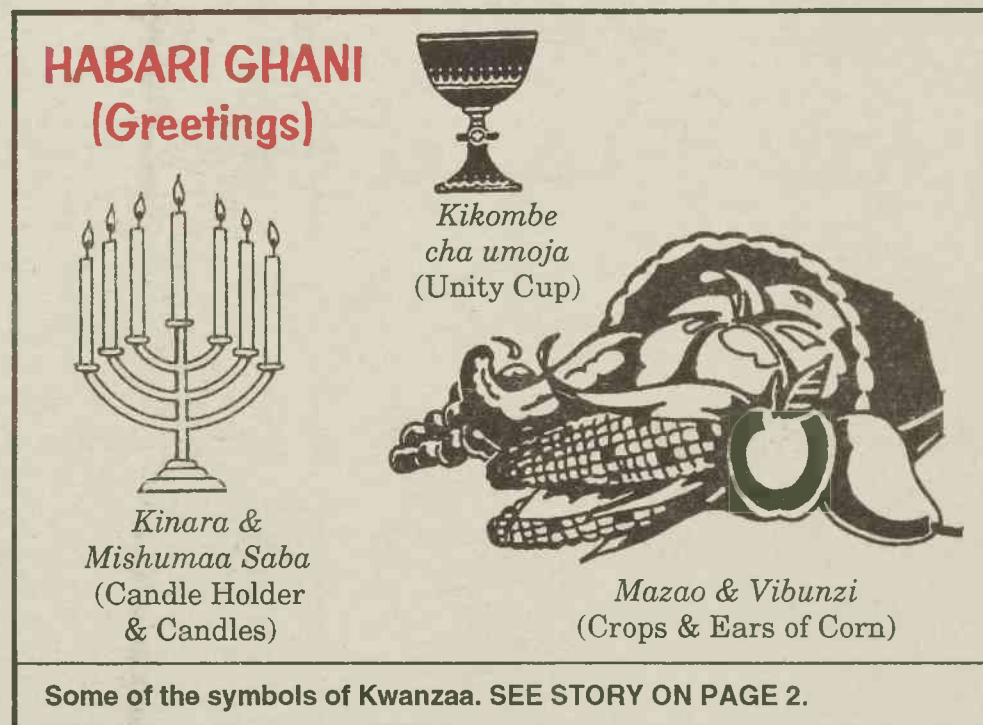
As the Student Support Services participants are in the process of completing their fall semester examinations, its staff is preparing for an annual event of a collective group of programs called the "Trio programs."

The Trio programs include, Talent Search, Upward-Bound, Student Support Services, Educational Opportunity Centers, Ronald McNair Post-Baccalaureate Achievements, and Staff and Leadership Personnel.

These programs identify low income, handicapped, and first generation college students and provide them with encouragement, support and assistance.

This assistance ranges from increasing a student's academic motivation, providing financial help and encouraging her to pursue graduate education.

Jacquelyn Lightsey, counselor and coordinator for Student Support Services, said, "These programs are what the students need today



for that extra support, mentally and financially."

When Thelma Copeland started working for the program in 1984, she noticed that the students wanted to be recognized for their achievements. Since then the Trio programs have instituted an annual event.

"This special day enhances a learning experience for the students from past members of the Trio services that have been successful in their post secondary education," Copeland said.

Lightsey said, "Even the stu-

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Stephanie McCorkle
Banner Reporter

This is the season of giving and no one understands that better than the United Negro College Fund and Planned Giving Pilot Programs at Bennett.

Planned Giving Pilot Programs handle the overall fund-raising activities for the College.

UNCF is a big part of the money being funded to Bennett and has been since 1944 when a fund-raising drive held then netted \$765,000.

Bennett's UNCF events this year included a kick-off breakfast at the Sheraton Hotel and the College's first women's golf tournament at the Players course at Bryant Park in Greensboro.

Dorothy Colson, director of Development in Institutional Advancement since February, arrived at the height of the 1992-1993 UNCF drive, as they were already meeting 95 percent of their goal.

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Christmas Tableau

Living art depicted in Madonnas

Robin Walls
Banner Reporter

The more than six weeks of hard work by faculty and students paid off, Dec. 12 in Annie Merner Pfeiffer Chapel as "The Living Madonnas: Great Masterpieces: Images-African American" Bennett's traditional tableau was presented.

The program, a production of the Christmas story through living art performances by students and faculty, was accompanied by the Bennett College Choir.

Alisa Roberts, a senior majoring in computer science, appeared as a

dancer.

"I didn't know what The Living Madonnas was until I agreed to participate for class credit," she said.

"It has given me a different outlook on Christmas through art presentation," Roberts added.

The Living Madonnas programs have been a tradition of Bennett every two years.

Mamie Johnson, who helped coordinate this year's program said that the program involved a lot of work and planning but it's worth the effort.

"It's something that stu-

dents and the community can look forward to," Johnson said.

Dr. Alma Adams, committee chair, and Yolanda Kinsey, Diane Williams, two seniors majoring in art, produced some artwork.

Organizers of the program include: David Pinnix, Music Department chair; Penny Speas, English and Foreign Language chair; Rev. Sherrie Cook, campus chaplain; Bruce Clark, Mass Communications professor; Karla Scott, Music Department instructor and choir director; and Phanlphie F. Rhue, director of public affairs.

Communications club provides sweets for finals

Students were provided with "sweet" relief after taking their finals this week.

Network 2000 has provided each faculty member with a supply of candy canes and other Christmas snacks to be distributed to their students after they have completed their finals.

Network 2000 is a newly formed Mass Communications organization.

According to Portia Gordon, president of the group, the candy is just a way of saying "Good luck on your finals" to students and to thank the faculty for their support.