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Community News

McGuiness 'Who's Who' Grad at NCSU

Scholarship winner makes transition to NCSU college life

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Making the move from a private high school environment to life on a big university campus can be unnerving to say the least. But, Nicole Chantae Brown, new freshman at North Carolina-State University, appears to be making the adjustment just fine.

At Bishop McGuiness, Nicole racked up an impressive record of accomplishments including the highest average in pre-Algebra, most improvement in Algebra, highest grade in biology lab, the Presidential Physical Fitness Award, and recognition with distinction at a Science Expo.

Of those achievements and others, she is proudest of those in the fields of mathematics and the sciences. "I like math and science. Math comes easy to me, and science is interesting. (They) are subjects you can relate to different things. They're not just something you take in school, and you'll never use them again."

Her achievements earned Nicole recognition in "Who's Who Among American High School Students, 1988-89" and in "Outstanding High School Students of America, 1988-89."

During her senior year at Bishop McGuiness, Nicole entered an essay contest which resulted in her winning the Dr. Fritz Bruening Scholarship Award, a one-year scholarship of \$1,000 offered annually to students attending the school.

Her love for math and science is part of what made her decide to enter the field of medicine. She plans to become a pediatrician. But, her mother's day care centers also played a role. "I have wanted to since I was about 11 years old. Mother had a day care center. I have always been around children, (and) I was pretty good around children," she recalled, adding, "I've always had that creative point of view." Her mother, Mrs.

Mamie G. Brown, operated Brown's Day Care Centers #1 and #2 for about 17 years.

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Describing her first days on campus at NC State, Nicole said breathlessly, "It was so huge ... but the people are really nice." She has been paired with what she called a "peer mentor", an older African-American upper classman who, she said, "helps you along ... It's pretty nice."

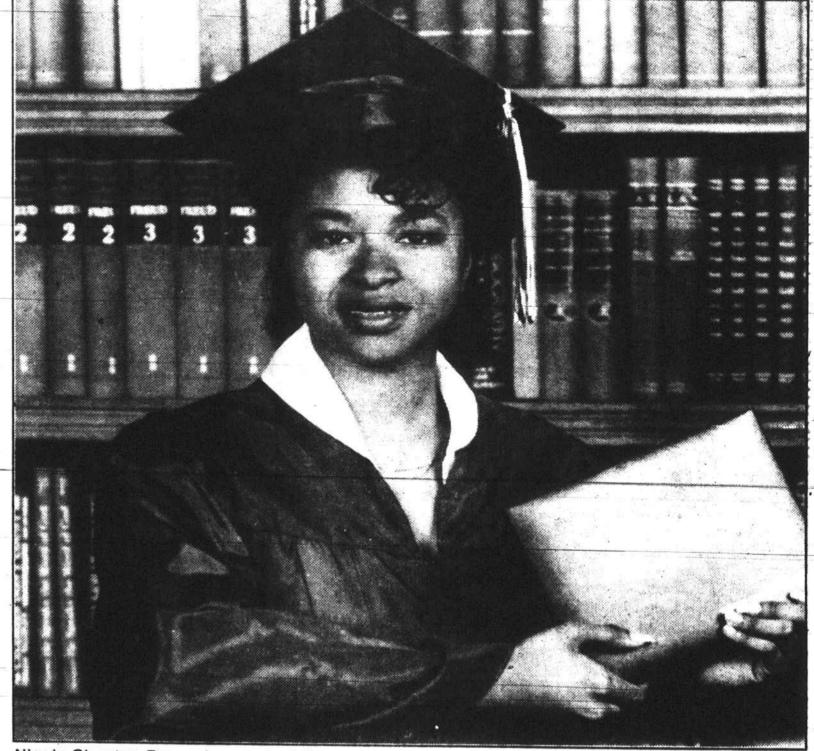
Although she is accustomed to the small seven- or eight-student classes that she often had in high school, Nicole is not concerned that some of her classes may be much larger. "I'm lucky. The largest number I have is 50 people... The instructors encourage you to see them if you have problems," she said,

She also figures that it will require her own personal initiative to have the kind of rapport with the teachers that she had at Bishop McGuiness. "If youwant them (teachers) to know you, you have to sit down and let them know you ... You can make that personal effort if you want to."

Some of her experiences while in high school should prove helpful to her in establishing new friendships and relationships at the university, Nicole feels. Her classes in the Total Allure course directed by Mrs. Andrea Brandon taught her interview techniques, social deportment, and "those types of things that you need to go to socials and not embarrass yourself," she said.

The modeling that she did both during the course and during her try for Miss Teenage North Carolina in 1989 helped build her self-confidence. The contest itself taught her some things. "It was a good experience. It put you into a competitive situation. You learned how to deal with people,...how to speak up for yourself," she said, "because they interviewed you, you learned how to communicate."

She is not sure whether she will go out for activities like sororities, unless they are the ones that relate to



Nicole Chantae Brown is proud of the accomplishments she made as an honor student at Bishop McGuiness High School.

her particular field of study. "I'm thinking about getting involved with some clubs, some community help (organizations), or something along those lines," she added.

For now, Nicole is focusing on undergraduate stud-

ies at NC State, but her plans for medical school are undecided. Since she prefers to stay in the more familiar surroundings of North Carolina, she may eventually decide on either Duke University or Wake Forest University.

COMMUNITY CALENDAR

THURSDAY, SEPTEMBER 20

•The American Lung Association of North Carolina will present a seminar entitled "The Need Continues" at the Neighborhood Government Services Office at 2301 Patterson Avenue from 11a.m. to noon. . The Women's Health Exchange will offer a free lecture as part of its fall "Nurturing Ourselves" series. Richard Gottlieb, the executive director of Senior Services, will speak on "Caring for Elderly Parents." The free program will be held at 7 p.m. at the YWCA, 1201 Glade Street. To register, call Barbara Childress at The Women's Center at (919) 760-5293.

FRIDAY, SEPTEMBER 21

. The Hanes Middle School PTSA autumn house and visitation will be held at 7 p.m. in the Hanes Middle School Auditorium.

MONDAY, SEPTEMBER 24

. The public forum on hazardous waste incineration issues will be held at 7 p.m. at Forsyth Public Library main branch auditorium at 660 West Fifth Street. The speaker will be announced. The forum is open to the public with a \$2 donation. Call 768-5116 for more information.

TUESDAY, SEPTEMBER 25

· Invited representatives of Harvey Gantt and Jesse Helms will speak on the issues and answer written questions submitted before the forum. The event will be held at the Clemmons Library, 3602 Clemmons Road from 7 p.m. to 9 p.m. Call 723-6701.

· Dr. Larry Hungerford, the local expert on using no-load mutual funds as an investment, will present "The ABC's of 'Do it Yourself Investing in No-Load Mutual Funds." Dr. Hungerford is the director of the Center for Economic Education at Winston-Salem State University. He will assume no prior knowledge of mutual funds or investing. The presentation will be held at the main library auditorium on West Fifth Street at 6:30 p.m. The seminar is co-sponsored by the Forsyth County Public Library Business and Science Department and the Center for Economic Development at WSSU. The presentation is free and open to everyone. There will be a \$3 charge for printed materials. There is no charge for printed materials for WSSU students, staff, faculty, and alumni.

WEDNESDAY, SEPTEMBER 26

• The Rural Hall/Stanleyville Public Library, 7125 Broad Street, Rural Hall will present a family singalong featuring folksongs, story-telling, picture book, film and refreshments for ages 3-10 and parents. It will be led by Jon Sundell, professional storyteller, folksinger, and children's librarian." Admission is free. The theme will be "Amazing Animals," featuring the Turkish folk tale "The Magic Rooster" and the film "The Beast of Monsieur Racine."

PUBLIC SERVICE ANNOUNCEMENTS

· The Piedmont Opera Theatre will present "Cinderella" at the Stevens Center downtown on Friday, Sept. 21 at 8 p.m., Sunday, Sept. 23, and Tuesday, Sept. 25 at 8 p.m. Nationally known soloists will perform Rossini's tuneful version of the fairy-tale romance. Musical accompaniment will be provided by the Winston-Salem Symphony. Tickets are from \$6 to \$20 with a \$1 discount for students and seniors.

· Lo-Impact Rec. Workout is scheduled for Monday-Wednesday nights, 6:30-7:30 p.m. starting Sept. 10-Oct. 18, Space is limited, and a

Edwin Hawkins makes promo stop in city

Chronicle Staff Report

Twenty-one years ago in 1969, a Bay area-born singer, songwriter, producer, and performer by the name of Edwin Hawkins changed the way contemporary gospel music would be viewed with his rendition of the classic million-selling international hit, "Oh Happy Day."

that has allowed Edwin the opportunity to travel the world, spreading a message of joy, inspiration, hope, and faith"(David Nathan, 1989).

The man who was a pioneer in taking gospel to a new level of mass acceptance back in 1969 has a new album, "Face to Face", that literally sparkles with love on Lection/PolyGram Records. Combining top-quality contemporary production with material that is timely and timeless, Edwin Hawkins has delivered an album that has all the elements to produce across-the-board appeal.

Hawkins says, "What I want to accomplish with this album hasn't really changed from what I've always wanted to accomplish. It is important for me to take contemporary gospel to a level where it can be crossed over to all formats. It has always been my inten-

tion to make gospel records that have the same high production values as anything else you might hear on the radio.

Ed Hawkins, Witness, Keith Staten, and Lexi--all recording artists for Lection/PolyGram --came to Winston-Salem with the assistance of WAAA Radio, the oldest programmer of gospel music in the Triad observing its This "song launched a career 40th anniversary next month, to present a sampling of their latest efforts.

> The performance takes place Monday, Sept. 24, at 7:30 p.m. in Brendle Recital Hall of the James Ralph Scales Fine Arts Building on the campus of Wake Forest University. The Office of Minority Affairs supports this effort, and the Wake Forest University "Gospel Choir will provide the opening numbers.

Witness will join in a special presentation of \$500 to St. Stephen's Baptist Church Young Adult Department, the result of a promotion conducted earlier this summer with WAAA Radio.

Tickets are on sale at Community Shoe Shop, Discount Records and Tapes, Gilmore's Funeral Home, and WAAA radio station.

For additional information. call WAAA at (919) 767-0430.



Edwin Hawkins

Area Weddings

Charles-Lee

The wedding of Angela Denise Charles and Gregory Harrison Lee, both of Charlotte, was held at noon Sept. 8 at First Waughtown Baptist Church. The Reverend Dennis Bishop officiated.

The bride is the daughter of Beechie and Ruby Charles of Winston-Salem. She is a graduate of N. C. State University and is an assistant field operations supervisor for the City of Charlotte.

The bridegroom is the son of James and Madge Definis of Chargirl lotte. He is a graduate of the Universi-The best men ty of North Carolina-Charlotte and is were: George Wila supervisor for First Wachovia Corp. son of Snellville. in Charlotte. Ga. and Charles The bride was escorted by her Gibson of Charfather. Honor attendants were: Carloi-

Hicks ta of Durham and Velcda Charles of Springfield, Mass. The bridesmaids were:Sandra Braswell of Carrboro, Robin Morrison and Tonya Smith, both of Winston-Salem. and Edith Simpson Charlotte. of Christina Little of Winston-Salem



lotte. The groomsmen were: Beechie Charles, Jr. of Winston-Salem, the bride's brother; and Roderick Brown of Winston-Salem. The ring bearer was Tony Lindsay. The usher was Dwight Correll of Winston-Salem, the bride's uncle.

The couple will live in Charlotte.

Program planned

Marriage enrichment is alive and well in 1990-91. We are beginning our new year of chapter meetings. The next meeting will be held on Thursday, Sept 20 at 7:30 p.m. at the Highland Presbyterian Church activity building on Cloverdale Ave. Topic: What do we want from our marriage? (Setting priorities). For more information call Jean and Ray Brewer at 722-2257. Joan and Don Lowder at 764-3546, or Caroline and Jeff Ersoff at 724-9226.

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fee is charged. For more information, contact (919) 727-2891. . The YWCA is accepting registration for fall swimming lessons for all ages. Lessons begin the week of Sept. 17. Fees are \$25 for once-a-week classes and \$50 for twice-a-week classes. Private lessons are also available. For more information, contact the YWCA at (919) 722-5138.