Business

Dudley Receives State Recognition for Business

Joe L. Dudley Sr., president and founder of Dudley Products Inc., was selected the winner of the 1993 North Carolina Entrepreneur of the Year (EOY). The EOY Awards Banquet, sponsored by Ernst & Young, and nationally cosponsored by Inc. Magazine and Merril Lynch, was held at the Sheraton Imperial Hotel in Raleigh.

In May, Dudley was one of three finalists selected for the EOY Master's Category. This category represents people who have been in business for over 20 years and who exemplify entrepreneurial excellence. The other finalists were: E. Don Clayton, founder of Putt Putt Golf Courses of America; and Felix S. Sabates Jr., Top Sales Company. The annual EOY Award is intended to encourage and contribute to

activities which support and promote the entrepreneurial spirit.

This fall, a national judging panel of prominent business leaders will select the National Entrepreneur of the Year among all regional winners. If Dudley is selected as the National Entrepreneur of the Year, he will be the cover story for Inc. Magazine's December issue. Inc. is a business news publication with world-wide distribution.

For the past 25 years Joe and Eunice Dudley have taken Dudley Products from a small, family business - where products were first made on a kitchen stove and sold door-to-door - and built it into one of the most respected giants in the beauty industry.

Dudley Products is known not

only for its outstanding business achievements, but also for its strong community involvement. In 1991, President George Bush cited Dudley Products as its 467th point of light for its innovative Joe Dudley Fellows Program, a mentoring program designed to teach leadership skills to male honor roll students at Dudley High School (no relation) in Greensboro. In September 1992, the company instituted a sister program, the Dudley Ladies.

Today, Dudley Products manufactures and distributes more than 120 professional and retail products. In June 1993, Black Enterprise Magazine ranked Dudley Products number 48 out of the top 100 African-American Businesses. In addition, the company owns and operates four beauty schools (Chica-



Joseph L. Dudley Sr.

go, Washington, D.C., Kernersville and Charlotte), and advanced training academy, a hotel, an advertising agency and a travel agency in Kemersville. This summer, Dudley Products introduced its new makeup line.

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Integon Announces Name for New Child Center

Integon recently announced the name of its child development center at an afternoon meeting of company employees and building ten-

The center name is "MudPies, a distinctively different child development center." The name and logo were unveiled for the new center, which will have 177 spaces for chil-

dren of Integon employees, building tenants and other downtown work-

construction at the corner of Holly

to open on Aug. 30. The center is owned by Integon

and Poplar Streets and is scheduled

MudPies is currently under and will be operated and managed by the YWCA of Winston-Salem.

Businessman Keynote Black Chamber Conference

OAKLAND, Calif. - William G. Mays, chairman and chief executive officer of Mays Chemical Company Inc., will be the keynote speaker at the National Black Chamber of Commerce's (NBCC) Sixth Annual National Conference to be held in Dallas Aug. 25-29,

NBCC officials have announced.

Mays, whose company was ranked number 13 in Black Enter-

Top 100 black-owned businesses, opened his chemical distributorship

prise's 1992 survey of the country's in 1980. Today, Mays Chemical Company Inc. has yearly sales of \$60 million.



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