

Jeannine Mauney crowned Miss Jabberwock 1997

▲ Theme: 'I Believe I Can Fly'

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Mount Tabor senior Jeannine Mauney, daughter of the late Douglass Mauney and Clementine Mauney, claimed the title of Miss Jabberwock 1997 on Saturday, March 22 at the Anderson Center on the campus of Winston-Salem State University. Douglass Brown was her escort. She raised \$8,330 with the help of family, friends co-workers and church members. The theme for the evening was "I Believe I Can Fly."

"I feel like I am flying," said Mauney, "I believe that I have accomplished a lot with the help of my family and friends. I thank my mother for her love, her time and for just putting up with me. It was a joy to raise money for such a good cause." In the fall, Mauney plans to attend the University of North Carolina at Chapel Hill to



Jarrett York, Trinity Manning, KKK Irvin, and DeQuan Jones performed as members of TNT.

funds. "This year's Jabberwock theme symbolizes the spirit and freshness of the new millennium. Young college-bound women no longer must deal with the stereotypes and stigmas of the past.

Theta Sorority.

She thanked the community for its generous support of this event, because through the efforts of the community, college students will be able to afford a laptop computer or pay for textbooks for classes.

Johnetta Huntley served as the co-chair of the event. She announced the awards the contestants won. "You are all winners. We love you dearly, and we wish you well," she said before she issued the superlative awards. The contestants have been together since October, and they voted on the following awards: "Best All Around" was a tie between LeCole Vance, daughter of Kerrie Vance; and Tamika Grasty, daughter of Carsenia Carpenter, granddaughter of Willa Grasty, both from Mount Tabor High School. "Most Talented" went to Ayanna Jones, from North Forsyth High School.

Mount Tabor senior Dionne Harris, the daughter of Georgia Harris, won the award for "Most Dependable." Randy Baker and



Grandmother Margaret L. Bass, grandmother Birdie Vaughn, mother Clementine Mauney, winner Jeannine Mauney, escort Douglass Brown and Charles Frank Wallington greeted each other in the receiving line.

Mr. Pender won the award for "Best All-Around Escort." All of the contestants received trophies for their hard work and other prizes as well.

Reginald McCaskill serenaded the court with a medley of songs that included "The Greatest Love of All," and "Believe in Yourself." The contestants performed in various scenes called "Meet the Fly Girls," "Flying

North Forsyth High School, daughter of Willie and Ernestine Griffin; Dionne Harris; Ayanna Jones; Shemeka Jordan, from Parkland High School, daughter of Nathaniel and Vera Jordan; Sandra Marshall, from Carver High School, daughter of Anthony and Sharon Marshall; Jeannine Mauney; Chanel Smith; Mikkea Stancell, from Reynolds High School, daughter of Char-

Smith-Thomas; Tameja Thompson, from North Forsyth High School, daughter of Denise Washburn; LeCole Vance; and Cheryl Wagner.

The members of the 1997 Jabberwock Committee for the Winston-Salem Alumnae Chapter of Delta Sigma Theta Sorority Inc. were Alicia Bailey, Mofe Belton-Brown, Karen Duckett, Yvette Hatcher, Denise Hartsfield,



Co-chair Johnetta Huntley confers with president Pamela Pryor-Grace before the program.

study biology.

Her mother, Clementine Mauney, said, "I'm just overwhelmed. We worked very hard. She is a fine young lady, and I am very proud of her. I wanted the best for her. Our friends, relatives, church family and co-workers were very supportive."

The First runner-up was Cherie Wagner, daughter of Jerry Wagner, attends Parkland High School. She raised \$2,005 and was escorted by Bobby Kimbrough III. The second runner-up was Chanel Smith, daughter of Daphne Johnson, from Reynolds High School. Escorted by Josh Jefferies, she raised \$1,682.

According to Denise Hartsfield, the co-chair of the 1997 Jabberwock, the young ladies in the contest have helped to generate more than \$25,000 in scholarship

They can enter into occupations on every sphere from astronomy to zoology," said Pan Pryor-Grace, the president of the W-S Alumnae Chapter of Delta Sigma



Co-chair Denise Hartsfield pauses with president Pamela Pryor-Grace before the program.



Members of the Alumnae Chapter of Delta Sigma Theta Sorority were in full support of the Jabberwock as they observed from the audience.

High in the Friendly Skies," "Fly Me to the Moon and Let me Live Among the Stars." Other performers included a harmonious male capella group called TNT, Brandy Thomas, who danced, Ayanna Jones, who performed a song, Kelita Dickey, who did a song, and Shemeka Jordan, who performed "Phenomenal Woman" by Dr. Maya Angelou.

The Jabberwock Court included Quanelle Cloud, of Carver High School, daughter of Gail Ingram; Toya Davis, from North Forsyth School, daughter of Harrison and Linda Davis; Kelita Dickey, from North Forsyth High School, daughter of Alphonzo and Betty Dickey; Tonya Gentry, from Glenn High School, daughter of Troy and Brenda Gentry; Tamika Grasty; Carmen Griffin, from

lene Cherry; Melody Taylor, from Mount Tabor High School, daughter of Jackie Taylor; Brandy Thomas, from Mount Tabor High School, daughter of Cassandra

Annette Howard, Johnetta Huntley, LeDonna Martin, Cathy Poole, Valerie Sadler, Patricia Shouse, Mary Smith, and Pam Wagner.



Alumnae Chapter member Carolyn Farabee (Center) greeted the ushers from the Pi Omicron chapter of Wake Forest University. Left to right are Michel Edwards, Michel Scriven, Melody Hairston, and Heather Sawyers.

Electric company stresses importance of reading

Graymac Electric Supply Company in Kernersville, a company owned by an African American, sponsored a Read-In Dinner for a first-grade class and their parents at Forest Park School.

Esther C. Collins, the teacher of the class, told parents, "The child is learning skills in reading from the time he is in the crib," she said, "Therefore, it is important to talk with your child so that

he can hear and learn to speak the language of the books he will read." She encouraged parents to read, not only books, but the words on cereal boxes, street signs, labels on cans, words on TV, etc.

"Reading is a vital part of our culture," she said. "The child must have a positive attitude toward reading, and the child must have skills for reading. Both

of these things are developed from infancy."

Then each child chose five books to take home for their own home library. The Read-In ended with dinner for everyone. Among those present were Mr. Lane, principal; Brenda Dixon, first-grade chairman; and Grace E. McRae, vice president of Graymac Electric Supply Company, with her daughter, Lydia McRae.

Builders Club provides 'A Different Kind of Love'

The Mineral Springs Middle School Club recently conducted a food drive as a school/community project. Approximately 750 cans of food were collected and distributed to the Food Bank of Northwest North Carolina.

The project was called A Different Kind of Love. Students were encouraged to bring in at least two cans of food, which entitled them to have

their names submitted for a drawing for a small prize. The school provided an additional reward for students contributing food by allowing some "free" time and a drink. Students were quite enthusiastic about helping the needy and also appreciated the small rewards! The Builders Club, a service organization for middle school students, is sponsored by Kiwanis International. Mineral Springs Middle School is the only school in the system

with a Builders Club. The club is a coeducational organization that provides young people the opportunity to help others, serve their school and community, and build a positive future for themselves. The club currently has 16 members from sixth through eighth grade. Officers are Megan Watson, president; Brooke Richardson, vice president; Kathleen Brewer, secretary; and Crystal Goforth, treasurer.

Don't Beat Your Child

"Don't Beat Your Children. Psychology and love should be used to raise them so that they become mature, trusting, emotionally stable adults."

Anyone who knows me, knows how strongly I feel about the above statement. However, many people get quite upset regarding my ideas on this issue. The usual comments that I hear, in opposition to my ideas, are, "My parents beat me and I am going to continue to beat my children." "The only way that you can make children obey you is to beat them." "My parents beat me and it made me a better person." "The Bible says 'Spare the rod and spoil the child.'" "I only harmlessly spank my child. There is nothing wrong with spanking." (Note: spanking and beating are

essentially the same.) These remarks only scratch the surface. Some people are so passionately in favor of beating children that it is frightening. Yet, they seem unaware of the following:

- 1) One of the major causes of violence in society is the many parents who use violence to raise their children and whose children use the same method to relate to others in society.
- 2) Many parents feel the need to control their children and force them to obey.
- 3) Most parents know of no alternative way to raise children. They believe that they are blessed by God with an inherent ability to raise children. Yet, they would be furious if their spouse, boss, friend, child or stranger were to use the same behavior with them.

- 4) Some parents beat their children as a means of getting rid of their own stress and insecurity.
- 5) Many parents have used violence in their homes for so many years that they believe that no other method will work. They are afraid to change.
- 6) Some parents do not realize that the basic mistakes that they have made in rearing their children over the years are the direct cause of their emotionally troubled children disobeying them. They feel "trapped" with no way out of the problem that they have created.
- 7) Many parents try to "control" their children when they, in fact, should try to guide them so that their children can logically decide between good and bad behavior. Some parents feel a

need to "control" their children as a means of showing them who's the "boss." So while they are making themselves appear to be

such people will admit that they are participating in child and spouse abuse.

abuse usually lose complete respect for their parents and for other members of society.

They might learn to obey the parent, but they also learn to hate him or her.

11) Once the child has lost respect for and trust in the parent, more advanced methods of counseling must be used to bring the child back to a state of normality. Most abused children, and their parents, are in need of extensive counseling. It is clear that nothing good can result from the abuse or beating of a child.

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like tough parents, they are destroying their children and, in some cases, creating predators who will terrorize other members of society.

8) Usually, when a parent directs violence at his/her children, that parent uses violence to control the spouse also. Yet, few

9) There are wonderful, easy-to-understand and easy-to-use methods for raising children. Such proven methods will result in a healthy relationship between parent and child, as well as between a child and society.

10) Children who are victims of parental violence or child