

Camp Spirit

Assists Disable

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One might ask himself, "Where and what is Camp Spirit?" Camp Spirit is located in the Dilworth section of the Charlotte community. It is led by Ron Smith, director, and Lena Grier, assistant director. The main objective is to give those with disability problems a chance to both compete and become aware of athletics and recreation.

Lena Grier, who has worked with disabled citizens for 25 years says, "This day camp for retarded and handicapped citizens entertains groups with different disability problems each week. We have led an opportunity to work with citizens from the Center of Human Development and with those who were deaf and blind. This camp is unique because it is one of the few of its kind in Charlotte. However, there should be more programs in the community geared toward assisting handicapped and disabled persons."

She further denoted, "Some of us fail to realize that all of us obtain some type of handicap. The citizens at Camp Spirit are enabled to communicate like everyone else, without being ostracized because of their handicaps. They thoroughly enjoy themselves and we enjoy them."

Each week at the camp is highlighted with either an overnight camping trip or a field trip. Last Friday, was no exception as the blind received an opportunity to go to Tweetsie Railroad.

The staff at Camp Spirit consist of 11 persons. Both Joan Antrum and Cindy Elkins, who work at the Charlotte Mecklenburg Mentally Retarded Center are summer employees there. The rest of the staff are college and high school students. Ron Smith, director says, "Without the staff the program would not be as successful as it is."

Those who are interested may enroll at the office of the Charlotte Park and Recreation Commission. The program is free and free lunches are given each day.



BIRTHDAY CELEBRANT CARRIE DELAINE MARTIN, CENTER
...With cake and friends at 81st Birthday party

Mrs. Martin Celebrates Here

Mrs. Carrie Delaine Martin, 81-year-old aunt of Burmit B. Delaine, is in Charlotte visiting her nephew and his family and her friends.

The McCormack, South Carolina native, who now lives in Detroit, Michigan, was honoree at a SURPRISE BIRTHDAY PARTY last Monday at the DeLaine home on Grace Lane in Homewood Acres.

Mrs. Martin, a retired school teacher who loves to travel, blew out the one large red candle on her birthday cake in the presence of a gathering of friends and relatives which included: Mrs. Bennie Lee, Mrs. Mamie Brewington, Mrs. Mattie DeLaine, Joe Belton, Gordon Belton, Rev. Moses Belton, Mrs. Cornelia Belton, Mrs. Janet Canada and sons, Mrs. Inez Parker, Mrs. Marie McKinney, Mrs. Sadie Nesbitt and son, Rev. and Mrs. H.W. Givens, Dr. L.S. Cozart, Rev. J.W. Smith, Mrs. Ellawese Taylor, Mrs. Stark, of Chicago; Mrs. Sandra Hill and son, and Mrs. Louise Johnson.

Mrs. Cornelia Belton and Mrs. Edith DeLaine were hostesses for festive affair that was "thoroughly enjoyed" by honoree Martin.

Food Town Promotes 4

Food Town Stores, Inc., recently named Richard Smith, Glen Caldwell, Kenneth Harris and Ronald Dale Chapman to serve as perishable supervisors for the chain's 40 supermarkets, according to an announcement by Food Town President Ralph Ketner.

The appointments are a part of the chain's reorganization under the direction of Food Town's new Director of Perishable Operations, Thomas Krieger.

Smith, who joined the company in August of 1972, served as a store manager and produce merchandiser with Food Town before his appointment to the position of perishable supervisor.

A Lexington resident, he and his wife, Irene, are the parents of three children, Margaret Irene, 16, and twins, Linda and Ray, 9.

Prior to his promotion, Caldwell, who has been with Food Town since May, 1971, served as the manager of Food Town's 5112 Central Avenue store in Charlotte.

He and his wife, Gail, live in Gastonia and have four children, Karen Lynn, 15; Steve Thomas, 11; Rodney Allen, 9; and Jenna Leanne, 2½.

Harris served as a produce supervisor for Harris-Teeter prior to joining Food Town on July 1. He is a 1957 graduate of Kent State University and a veteran of the U.S. Army.

A native of Great Britain, he and his wife, Susan, an Akron, Ohio, native, have two children, Beth Ann, 10, and David, 8. The Harris family resides in Charlotte.

Chapman, who also began his employment with Food Town on July 1, formerly served as a supervisor and as a division produce buyer for the Kroger Company. A native of Salem, Missouri, he attended Forest Park College in St. Louis.

He is married to the former Sara Louise White of Birmingham, Alabama, and has a son, Phillip Jerome, 9. Formerly of St. Charles, Missouri, he is relocating to the Greensboro area.

Births

Mr. and Mrs. Kenneth Irvin 1215 Coker Ave...A girl
Mr. and Mrs. John Ratchford 3180 Villa Ct...A girl
Mr. and Mrs. William Perry 3109 Southwest Blvd...A boy
Mr. and Mrs. Roy Stewart 909 Echo Glenn Rd...A boy

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Little Michael Aaron Kimble is all smiles about a coming event of genuine interest this week. The occasion is the celebration of his first birthday on Saturday, August 14, with family and friends invited. Michael, who has an older brother and sister, is the son of Mr. and Mrs. Willie Kimble of 6136 Castle Court.

- Births**
- Mr. and Mrs. Leon Sings 432 Woodvale Pl...A boy
 - Mr. and Mrs. Harry Watts 4526 Rosevine Pl...A boy
 - Mr. and Mrs. Edward Grier 6614 Hidden Forest...A girl
 - Mr. and Mrs. Edward Spragg 1508 Pondella...A girl
 - Mr. and Mrs. John Outing 2523 Celia Ave...A boy
 - Mr. and Mrs. Calvin Moore 601 Key St...A boy
 - Mr. and Mrs. Don Lloyd Jr. 4233 Farwood La...A girl

Students Earn, Learn In Clinical Work-Study Summer Health Program

CHAPEL HILL—Seventy-two, North Carolina college students are working at summer jobs this year that are more than just a way to earn money for school in this fall.

The students are gaining experience in the health care field through the third clinical Work-Study Summer Health Program sponsored by the North Carolina Health Manpower Development Program (NCHMDP).

The summer program is supported by Elizabeth City State University, Pembroke State University in Robeson County, North Carolina Central University in Durham and University of North Carolina at Chapel Hill, and with a grant from the Kate B. Reynolds Foundation of Winston-Salem. The NCHMDP provides administrative support as well as additional funding for the program.

Students from the four universities studying in business, health and health-related majors who are eligible for financial aid have been placed in jobs in 26 health care agencies in Durham, Chapel Hill, Pembroke, Greensboro, Elizabeth City and Edenton.

The goal of the summer program, explained Dr. E. Lavonia Allison, director of NCHMDP, "is to provide selected minority and disadvantaged students with summer educational work experiences in health care agencies to increase their potential for success in health training programs."

"This should reinforce their motivation for and commitment to a health career," she said.

While serving as "health interns" at the agencies during the 10-week program, the students earn an average of \$90 a week for a 40 hour week.

The interns are involved in a variety of jobs such as nursing assistant, laboratory helper, therapy aides and clerical assistant. While they are employed, Allison said, the interns are able to get a first hand look at the workings of the health care agencies and gain a better understanding of how they function.

Work in the clinical settings is only part of the program, she said. Academic enrichment activities supervised by the NCHMDP's regional recruitment and counseling center directors extend and intensify the educational work experiences provided by the program.

Activities planned for the interns are field trips, health career and health issues seminars, health topic films and self-instructional materials for academic skills development. The special programs are held after working hours or on weekends.

The planning and coordinating of the enrichment activities are done by the regional center director: Walter Winborne at Elizabeth City. Adele Butts at N.C. Central, Dr. Josef Mandel at Pembroke and Rudolph Jackson, NCHMDP central office summer program coordinator.

The directors also act as counselors for the interns.

Allison emphasized that the academic enrichment activities are an important part of the program and are designed "to strengthen the students' language, communicative and study skills that are essential for successfully completing professional training."

A big event for this year's interns will come July 10 in Chapel Hill when recruitment counselors and coordinators representing 18 health disciplines will conduct a special program for the students explaining the career opportunities that are open in each of the disciplines and outlining where and how to train for



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