



OMEGA TALENT HUNT CONTESTANTS

—Pose for Post photographer

Cynthia Lynn McCullough

Wins Senior Talent Hunt

By Deborah Gates
Post Staff Writer

Miss Cynthia Lynn McCullough, who played the music selection "Valse in C Sharp minor" composed by Frederic

Chopin, was the winner of the senior division of the Omega Talent Hunt program, held Sunday, March 27, at the Memorial United Presbyterian Church.

"This will enable her to travel to the District Talent Hunt Program in Myrtle Beach on Saturday, April 30, where she will represent Pi Phi Chapter of Charlotte," according to a spokesman for the fraternity.

Miss Nina Moore, the second place winner of the senior division played "Nocturne" composed by Edward Grieg, and Tony Brown third place winner played "Juba Dance" composed by R. Nathaniel Dett.

Darrell R. Ervin was the winner of the junior division with his solo performance of "Prelude in G minor" composed by Sergei Rachmaninoff.

Second and third place winners Miss Leah Kendrick and Miss Marguerite Gilmore played selections "Avalanche" composed by Stephen Heller and "Moonlight sonata" composed by L. Van Bee-

thoven, respectively. Other participants in the Hunt were Gerald Dan Lenoir, Shana Ervin, Vivian Cherry, and Katrina Palmer. The awards were presented by the Basileus of Pi Phi Chapter, O'Dell Robinson, and Sterling P. Woodard, Talent Hunt Chairman.

Each of the Hunt contestants received a certificate of participation, with the first, second and third place winners of both the junior and senior divisions receiving plaques.

The Omega Talent Hunt idea was created in the Fraternity's Sixth District (North and South Carolina) in 1948, having the first District Talent Hunt Program in Charlotte.

Policyholders Told

North Carolina Mutual Assets Increase 6.5 Million Dollars

NORTH CAROLINA MUTUAL Life Insurance Company's assets increased \$6.5 million during 1976; insurance in force figure increased by \$486 million; and its gain from operations (after Federal Income Taxes) amounted to \$1.7 million.

These were some indications of the progress the company made in 1976, W.J. Kennedy III, NCM president and chief executive officer told policyholders Wednesday at the company's 78th annual policyholders meeting.

"At the end of 1976, the economy of the country was pulling out of the deepest recession since World War II, although problems of inflation and unemployment have not been solved satisfactorily," Kennedy told the policyholders.

"Energy problems dampened the robust recovery anticipated by many during the latter part of 1976 and present real problems for the new national administration. In spite of these circumstances, NORTH CAROLINA MUTUAL has continued to make progress in all areas of its operations during 1976," he

NC Mutual

The NCM president cited the success of the company's group reinsurance program, which added an additional \$438 million of insurance to the company's books during 1976. He said that additional group reinsurance contracts made in 1976, but which will not be put in force until this year would amount to an additional \$450 million, thus placing the company's total insurance in force to more than \$3.2 billion.

"NCM will then become the nation's first predominantly black-managed life insurance company to exceed the \$3 billion mark," Kennedy said. Insurance in force is one of the means by which an insurance company is measured on an industry-wide basis.

At the end of 1976, NCM had assets of \$152.2 million, compared to \$145.6 million at the end of 1975; premium income was \$44.4 million, compared to \$41.3 million during 1975; insurance in force was \$2.742 billion, compared to \$2.256 billion at the end of 1975; and the surplus at the end of the year was \$18.5 million, or 12.2 percent of the company's total

assets.

In addition, Kennedy said the company during 1976, paid more than \$25 million to policyholders and their beneficiaries, bringing the total cash payments since the company's organization to \$289.5 million.

Kennedy told the policyholders that the company's new planning system, developed with the guidance of McKinsey & Company, the management consulting firm, should result in the greatest controlled growth in the company's history. The entire company is now operating under plans developed for each home office and field unit.

Clean Your Car

Windows Inside

Do you frequently clean your car windows on the inside? Many drivers neglect this. For example, someone is smoking in your car, have you noticed how a film coats your windows and obscures your vision?

Citizens Safety Association suggest you keep window cleaner and towels handy.

King Sr. Enthralls Civic

Center Audience

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approximately 1500 people with a few persons from out of town."

A special feature at the Tea was the Birth Month Club's displays of their seasonal tables, with foods for all seasons. Mrs. Clesta McCullough, who chaired the table depicting the month of August was

first place winner. Miss Cheryl Banks who represented the young people's table won second place, and Mrs. Annette Gary's May table won third place. The judging for the seasonal tables was based on originality, design, and how well the table kept in tune with the theme of the Tea.

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"The Search for Roots" Roots is simply the story of all black people. Says Alex Haley, author of the bestseller, *Roots*, a relationship between that concept and a practical how to go about your own genealogical search is explained.

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"Benign Neglect" Discussion centers on how "benign neglect" as a social policy in urban areas has caught up with whites and how the black family managed to resist the pressures of slavery and racism, contrary to Moynihan's thesis.

"War in Africa?" Southern Africa - what's happened? Why? What does the future hold? Will the struggle for majority rule lead to war?

"The New Warrior: Can Benjamin Hooks Save the NAACP?" Is the NAACP out of touch with blacks? Can it survive? Is the civil-rights movement dead?

"Colored Girls or Black Women?" This week centers on man/woman relations and the negative image of black men as seen in the controversial Broadway hit "For Colored Girls Who Have Considered Suicide..." The dynamics - sociological and economic - of this basic question which affects all black men and women is explored.

"Carter's First 90 Days" An examination and evaluation of President Jimmy Carter's first ninety days in office and its impact on black Americans.

"Does Busing Work?" Busing for integration has thrown the concept of quality education for blacks and whites out of focus. How do you evaluate its worth and effectiveness?

"Black vs. Black: the Dilemma of Black Colleges" An examination and analysis of the case of Andrews vs. Matthews or the NAACP Legal Defense Fund vs. Black College Presidents over desegregation.

"The Great Ladies" A historical and personal analysis of the lives of three great female singers (Billie Holiday, Josephine Baker and Lena Horne), reenacted musically by Carol Cass, a female singer and impressionist.

"Paul Robeson: Walking in the Sunlight or Shuffling in Darkness?" An intimate and unique view of a great man misunderstood and abused during his lifetime.

"Language in Black and White" How attitudes, nonverbal behavior and racial prejudices affect communications, interpersonal and interracial between blacks and whites. Linguistics experts will visually document a study prepared for the U.S. Army on this subject.

"What Happened to the Black Revolution?" The history of the 60's, its leadership and dynamics, and an analysis of a changed America and the evolving attitude of whites towards blacks and blacks towards themselves.

"What is a Black Leader?" How does one become a black leader? Who picks them? What do they do? Who are they?

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THE POWER & THE GLORY

By Dr. G.E.A. Toots

Will Robots Replace People?

By 1980 the Bell telephone system anticipates the installation of a new computer control electronic switching system, to automatically enter billing information. Coupled with remote telephone trunk arrangements for automated long distance coin telephones, it will reduce the need for 43,500 operators, at a net annual company saving of \$80 million.

There is a mechanical robot, capable of moving its arms in three directions; tightening a screw; and general assembly line work. The cost is \$25,000. It comes to work on time and takes no coffee break.

A computerized self ticketing robot machine has been installed in major airports. It

dispenses passenger tickets after credit card insertion; and obeys instructions either typed by the traveler on the machine's video screen, or by telephonic request. Tickets are processed in about 60 seconds.

Guaranteed Job
In Japan, an employee once hired is guaranteed a life time job. Similar employment protection is assured New York and New Jersey longshoremen. Their union contract guarantees compensation for 2,000 hours of work per year, until reaching retirement age.

The Ford automobile labor contract of 1976 introduced the four day work week. The United Automobile Workers three year contract provides 12 paid days off in addition to

normal holiday leave. The United Steel Workers will propose for this years contract a life time employment guarantee at full pay.

Unemployment Cost
The right to work can no longer remain subject to corporate or governmental capriciousness. Much of the cause of the fiscal crisis facing federal, state, and city budgets is the high cost of sustaining the unemployment through welfare program funding or unemployment benefits.

World War II was the first time our nation achieved full employment. The automated industrial plant of tomorrow will have people jobs being performed by machines or computers.

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