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LOVELY IRIS LLOYD
...Values her feminity

Ms. Iris Lloyd

Is Beauty Of Week

By Jeri Harvey
POST Staff Writer

POST Beauty of the Week, Iris Lloyd, is nearing a crossroads in her life and is having a hard time deciding what direction to take. On the one hand, the 21 year old beauty, who will graduate in June from Central Piedmont Community College with a Executive Secretary degree, is considering joining an older sister in New York. On the other hand, she's not sure the Big Apple is the place for her. Two things are certain; she'd like to try living in some other part of the country before she settles down in Charlotte for life and no longer wants to be a secretary for the rest of her life.

"When I graduated from Olympic High School in 1974 I was torn between going to a four-year institution or getting a two-year degree," she said. "I decided to get the two years because it was quicker and easier and I figured I'd be making money a lot faster. Plus, a secretarial job looked very glamorous to me then. Now, I guess I've grown up some and I realize there are a lot of other things I'd rather do. I'm glad I have the training to fall back on but I'm looking in other directions. I kind of think I might like to write or get into drama," she mused.

One career that has positively no appeal , according to her, is modeling. As a part-time secretary to local photographer Jim Black, shes been exposed to the world of fashion and modeling for the past 11 months but, so far, hasn't been infected by the bug. "It's just something I've never been interested in," she laughed.

"There are enough models out there already without me. And so few black models ever reach the top anyway because there just isn't much market for them."

Iris's views on the Women's Movement seem to very nearly reflect those of the majority of black women I've talked to. She feels a woman should receive equal opportunity to work in areas she can qualify for and with equal pay. On the other hand, she values her femininity and enjoys being pampered and treated like a lady. "The Movement is largely for rich white women who have nothing else to do, though, admittedly, some of the results have been beneficial to all women," she hastened to add. "But black women have been liberated for a long time even though they may not even have known what the word meant."

A Gemini, Iris said she enjoys astrology as a conversation piece and gets a kick out of reading about it. She's also a jazz enthusiast and lists Bobbi Humphries, Steve Khan , and the late Duke Ellington as favorites. She is waiting anxiously for the upcoming Grover Washington concert, too.

Speaking of Bobbi Humphries, Iris confessed she plays the flute herself. Starting in the fifth grade, she played all the way through high school and was in both the concert and marching bands at Olympic. Now she plays occasionally for her own pleasure and to "keep the notes fresh".

Whatever Iris' decisions about a place to live and a career, we wish her success and happiness.

Public Hearing Set On

Widening Of McCain Street

North Carolina Department of Transporation (NCDOT) officials will hold a public hearing on the proposed widening of McCain Street (Secondary Road 1009) from the Union-Mecklenburg County line to Seymour Street (Secondary Road 1167) in Monroe.

The hearing will be held Wednesday, April 26, at 7:30 p. m. in the Sunny Valley High School on McCain Street in Monroe. The hearing will consist of an explanation of the proposed widening and its affect on the abutting properties, right-of-way requirements and procedures, relocation advisory assistance and State-Federal relationship.

The hearing will be open to the public for statements, questions, comments and submittal of material pertaining to the proposed widening.

The proposed design calls for widening the existing pavement from 20 to 24 feet in width.

Your troubles are probably behind you - that is, if your're a SCHOOL BUS DRIVER.

To Make Necessary Repairs

Low Income Homeowners May Be Eligible For Federal Assistance

Minor Repairs Could Provide 100 New Jobs

By Sidney Moore
POST StaffWriter

Low income homeowners may be eligible for assistance to repair their homes under a program administered by Family Housing Services, Inc.

Federal money funneled through the Employment and Training Department of the City of Charlotte is intended to be used to repair up to 300 homes. Repairs are intended to minimize excessive consupmtion of fuel, or prevent personal injury.

Of the total homes to be repaired, fuel consumption limitation may be a reason in up to 200 home repair sites. Painting and minor repair to avoid personal injury may be a reason for 100 of the jobs nine youths between the ages of 16 and 19, some are dropouts, have been employed to do the work. They are being trained by three adults, who were formerly out of work. Theadults are responsible to train the youth in a marketable skill so that they may have a better chance of being employed at the end of September when this program may end.

Original authorization for the program is contained in the Comprehensive Employment and Training Act of 1973. Funds for this year are available as a result of an amendement to the original act by the Carter adminstration, said an official of the City ofCharlotte.

Permissable repairs include weatherstripping doors, repairing rotted porches and steps, replacing loose tile, small plumbing repairs, securing doors and repairs that improve the livability or safety of the home, said a statement from Family Housing Services.

Each person assisted is responsible for the cost of the materials, but labor supplied by program youth is free of charge, the statement said. It also said the agency can often get material at a reduced cost.

City residents may learn if they qualify under low income requirements by calling the service at 375-4489. For a family of four, the income requirement is less than $7,313. This amount varies with family size.

Adult trainers currently employed under the program are Charles Ernie, Bobby Hodgcoe and Leroy Brown.

Youth trainees are Warren Trent, Danny Watson, Nathan McWaine, Cindy Bruce and James Miller.

The non-profit agency also employs seven counselors who determine which families should receive assistance

3,000 Educators To Deal With Policies, Programs

Policies and programs in 1978-79 for the state's largest professional association will be decided this month in Charlotte during the Eighth Annual Convention of the North Carolina Association of Educators (NCAE), according to its president, Mrs. Linda I. Rader.

More than 3,000 educators will meet at the Charlotte Civic Center April 13,14 and 15 to deal with 45 amendments to the NCAE Constitution, more than 100 resolutions, and an expected long list of new business items.

Mrs. Rader, an elementary teacher on leave this year from Gaston County Schools to serve as fulltime NCAE president, will preside over the convention and related activities.

Delegates will come from public schools, technical institutes, community colleges and universities throughout the state. They will include teachers, principals, supervisors, superintendents, and others. Their decisions will govern the 60,500-member NCAE until the April 1979 convention.

Convention activities begin on Thursday, April 13, with special meetings for members of various NCAE divisions. The first official NCAE business session opens at 9 a.m. Friday morning. Adjournment is set for Saturday.

Retiring NCAE Executive Secretary A. C. Dawson will be honored Thursday evening at a dinner-dance. Dr. Dawson is winding up more than 40 years in education, including service as a teacher, principal, superintendent, and assistant executive secretary. He will be succeeded on July 1 by Lloyd Isaacs, currently assitant executive secretary for information services.

Coveted School Bell Awards will be presented to 12 news media on Friday evening in recognition for excellence in reporting school news.

Also on Friday, the 12th Annual Terry Sanford Award will be presented to an educator for building positive human relations. Other special presentatioons will be made on Friday evening.

Following Friday evening's session, a fund raiser will be held for the Political Action Committee for Education (PACE) in the Radisson Hotel ballroom. Maurice Williams and the Zodiacs will perform in concert and dance.

At the close of business on Saturday, officers for 1978-79 will be installed. C. Stewart Stafford, coordinator of the gifted and talented program in Cumberland County Schools, will succeed Mrs. Rader as president. He has served this year as vice president-president-elect. Six members of the NCAE Board of Directors also will be installed.

North Carolina's Teacher-of-the -Year for 1978-79, Ruth Watkins, will be recognized twice during the convention. Mrs. Watkins, a teacher at Richmond County Senior High School in Rockingham, will be honored as Teacher-of-the-Year on Friday evening. Then on Saturday, she will be installed as vice-president-elect. After serving one year, she automatically becomes NCAE president in 1979.

Public Hearing Set For Short-Range Park Plan

The Charlotte City Council will hold a public hearing on the Short-Range Park Plan at 8 p.m. on Monday, April 17, in the Board Room of the Education Center. The meeting will be televised live by WTVI, Channel 42.

The public hearing is being held to receive citizens' comments and suggestions on Charlotte's parks and recreation needs. The Charlotte City Council is considering funding alternatives to include possible bond financing. They are requesting community input before developing a park improvement program.

Persons wishing to speak at the hearing should contact the Office of the City Clerk, City Hall, 600 East Trade Street, Charlotte, telephone 374-2247, by noon on April 17. Comments may be made orally or submitted in writing.

The hearing follows a series of seven informational meetings which were held throughout Charlotte during the month of March. At the informational meetings staff members of the Charlotte-Mecklenburg Planning Commission and the Charlotte Park and Recreation Commission explained that the Short-Range Park Plan analyzes existing parks and recreation facilities and identifies projects which serve areas presently without facilities. The Plan covers a period of five years and is aimed at serving Charlotte's 1980 population.

Open House To Honor McNeill Smith

An open house honoring state senator McNeill Smith, Democratic candidate for U. S. Senate, will be held at 8 p.m.,Friday, April 14, at the Charlottetowne Inn Penthouse,600 S.Kings Dr.

OUTDOOR STUDYING--Winthrop College students Sheliah Ward and Robert Martin take advantage of beautiful spring weather to study on the campus lawn. Sheliah is a senior from Charlotte, and Robert is a junior from Spartanburg.

Jim Martin: University Park Mail Service Will Continue

Special to the POST

Congressman Jim Martin says he has been assured by the U. S. Postal officials that the University Park Post Office will not be closed as had been feared by some residents of the area.

In a statement released from his Washington office, Congressman Martin said he "insisted to the Postal management that service to this (University Park) community not be disrupted."

Martin said, "Regardless of whether the station will continue at the same site or at a nearby location, there will be no reduction in service or inconvenience to these citizens." The University Park Post Office lease expires in late 1979.

The Congressman said his office conducted an inquiry into the future of the University Park mail facility after residents of the area expressed alarm over a number of management changes which are being made throughout the entire postal operation in Charlotte. The changes are part of a city-wide plan to save more than $1.5 million in postal operating costs. Congressman Martin said, "I have been assured that University Park is not alone in this plan to improve postal efficiency. Futhermore, the taxpayers and postal customers will appreciate any efforts on the part of the Postal Service to cut costs without sacrificing service."

Martin said he plans to monitor postal service to the University Park area to be sure the residents are being properly serves. He said he will "encourage the maintenance of the exsisting level of mail service." He added that he is "confident the U. S. Postal officials will support that goal."

After residents of northwest Charlotte contacted me about postal service in the University Park area, my office conducted an inquiry into the mail facitity and its future. I have insisted to the Postal management that service to this community not be disrupted.

I have been assured by Postal official that the University Park area will not lose its Post Office. Regardless of whether the station will continue at the same site or at a nearby location, there will be no more than reduction in service or inconvenience to these citizens.

A number of management changes are being made in the entire postal operation for Charlotte as part of a city-wide plan to save more than $1.5 million in postal operating costs over the next 10 years. I have been assured that University Park is not alone in this plan to improve postal efficiency. Futhermore, the taxpayers and postal customers will appreciate any efforts on the part of the Postal Service to cut cost without sacrificing service.

I can fully understand the fears of those individuals served by the Postal facility at the University Park station and on their behalf I have insisted and received assurances that their service is not being cut back as had been rumored.

I plan tomonitorpostal service to the area for residents of the community served by the facility and will encourage the maintenance of the existing level of mail service. I am confident that the U. S. Postal officials will support that goal.

J. C. Smith University Faces Schedule Problems

By Sidney Moore Jr.
Post Staff Writer

Schedule problems for the Johnson C. Smith football season are being worked out, according to retiring coach Eddie McGirt.

One of six dates submitted to the Charlotte Parks and Recreation Commission for approval was turned down. Although it was rumored to be the annual Homecoming Contest, McGirt said the date for this event was accepted.

An official with the commission said another group made a request for that one date before the JCSU made its application. Hence the other group got priority.

It had been the intention of college officials to play a home game with Winston-Salem State on October 28, the disputed date. McGirt said this game is still on the schedule even though the site for play has not yet been determined. He said the game may be played in Winston-Salem.

Eddie C. McGirt
...Retiring coach

Homecoming will be celebrated the weekend of October 21. The opponent will be Shaw University.

Otis Stroud, Smith's Sports Information Official, said about 25 seniors will lead the Golden Bulls into play this year. Fans are hopeful that such experience will help overcome last year's meager 3-8 record.

The season begins on September 9 when the Bulls face Lenoir Rhyne. Other home games are Hampton, September 23; A&T, September 30;
and Fayetteville State on November 11.

Road games are with Virginia Union in Richmond, Va., September 16; S. C. State at Orangeburg, S. C., October 7; Livingstone in Salisbury, October 14; N. C. Central in Durham, November [illegible]; Virginia State in Pe[illegible], Va. on November [illegible].

Glamour Features Beauty Guide For Black Women

All black women have one very big beauty advantage—they possess skin that shows the signs of aging much less dramatically than other skin. A special beauty guide for black women is being featured in *Glamour's* April Issue. This guide gives the latest news on health tips for solving the drastic skin problems faced by black women, as based on the research by nationally famous dermatologists, Dr. Gary Jules Brauner and Dr. Greta Clarke.