

# Pete's Barbecue Quenches Desire For Delicious Food

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What about a nice, large steaming piece of barbecue beef or rib? Or say you've been longing for some chicken or pork with a special sauce that makes your taste buds tingle? Well, Pete's Barbecue will quench all those desires and more, because they have what it takes.

The business' grand opening was June 5. It is situated at 1915 I-85 North, excess road off Beatties Ford Rd. The owner, Bill "Pete" Cunningham, felt that the westside of town needed a food service to cater to the public after 10 p.m. Pete's Barbecue is a take-out restaurant and open seven days a week - Sunday through Thursdays from 11 a.m. until midnight and Fridays and Saturdays from 11 a.m. until 1 a.m.

Even more important than it's location or opening hours is the taste of Pete's barbecue. It's unique, patented in Washington and made from a special recipe by well-known cook, Henry Brooks.

"It's a special sauce," Brooks began, "It's made from scratch - put it on anything you want and it will give it a flavor."

The sauce even has a name, 'Brook's Old Fashioned Bar-Be-Que Sauce.' And Brooks insists, "You've tried the rest, now try the best."

There is another dimension to Pete's Barbecue involving management and

**Central Number**

Charlotte Parks and Recreation Department is implementing a central reservation system for picnic shelters and ball fields. Reservations can now be made by calling one number, 374-2842.

The central number is now in operation for all picnic shelters and all ball fields, except for fields at Freedom, Hornet's Nest and Park Road Parks. Fields at these three parks will be phased into the system later this summer.

Reservations were previously made by calling individual parks.



Employees pose with Pete Cunningham, right; cook, Henry Brooks, manager, Joseph Lloyd, and Pete's son, Ron.

growth. You've seen businesses making money and they never seem to grow.

But manager of Pete's, Joseph Lloyd, has plans for the business.

"I hope to expand the establishment from take-out to a full restaurant. We have plans for Pete's Barbecue to serve the public and see that they are satisfied. After this is a success," he continued optimistically, "I hope to have more Pete's, not only in Charlotte, but in other cities also."

Cunningham's son, Ron Cunningham will also participate in the operation of the business. As a licensed real estate broker and licensed radio announcer, his professional experiences of associating with people will be an asset to business.

"I plan to learn every inch of the business from beginning to end and make myself proficient in running it," he explained. "Everything my father has touched so far has worked and I want to be a part of it."

"Pete" Cunningham said the only thing that hindered the opening of the restaurant was finding the right people to run it. "I won't be here and I had to find competent, experienced people - that's hard to find. Cunningham will spend the majority of his time at his other business, entitled Hatchett and Cunningham Associates Personnel Agency.

Pete's Barbecue, according to Cunningham, will virtually be run by the others; Brooks, who is 63 and retired says he is just helping out. He has 47 years of experience as a cook. And Lloyd, the manager, has been in the food service business since 1947.

Cunningham's sharp business character, professional personnel, compounded with one of the best locations in town, will probably equal a successful business. But the business will still have to contend with the economy, yet it doesn't frighten Cunningham. His only response, "People always have to eat."

## President For 2nd Term

# CIAA Elects Eddie McGirt

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The teams of the Central Intercollegiate Athletic Association (CIAA) Tournament are living up to their motto, "Fourteen of the Finest." One reason is Eddie McGirt. He recently was re-elected by the CIAA membership to serve a second year term as president.

His sideline strategies are already underway.

"Right now we have a contract with the Black Entertainment Sports Network," McGirt revealed this week. He is interested in all people being exposed to sports, not just an elect few.

Through the CIAA, Black colleges have the opportunity to expose their athletics as well as the white colleges, McGirt explained. Even though McGirt says future plans include obtaining a contract from a larger media, the CIAA players have been exposed on television various times.

The basketball tournament is the most successful, with fans coming from all around to observe the competing top eight teams in the division. "I am going to concentrate on things not so successful," McGirt commented. For instance the football "Gold Bowl," the spring and winter sports are just as intriguing as the basketball games.

"I would like to keep the CIAA viable, the organization moving and improve the image in all sports," McGirt continued. So, if McGirt has his way, track, football, swimming,



Eddie C. McGirt...JCSU Athletic director golf and all the other sports sponsored by the CIAA will

become successful ventures.

At times there is no other place for Black athletics, McGirt said, but the CIAA meaning goes even deeper than that. "We have fourteen Black colleges that are important to our country," he continued.

There is no doubt that McGirt's professional experiences have helped him preside over the CIAA.

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## SSI Error Rate Decreases

### In Latest Measuring Period

The Social Security Administration reported this week that the payment error rate for the Supplemental Security Income program decreased slightly to 4.9 percent during the six months ending last October 1.

For the previous six months, the rate was 5 percent.

The payment error rate is the percent of total payments made to ineligible individuals and overpayments to eligible individuals.

The Supplemental Security Income is a federally administered income-maintenance program for aged, blind or disabled people who have little or no income or resources.

The overall percentage of Supplemental Security Income cases containing errors, both payment and administrative, decreased significantly during the period, from 13.2 percent to 12 percent.

for underpayments, representing money not paid, for the latest measuring period (April-September 1979) was 1.3 percent, down from 1.5 percent for the preceding six-month period.

During fiscal year 1979, the SSI program paid out nearly \$6.65 billion to 4.2 million recipients. Of this amount, \$5.16 billion came from general revenues of the U.S. Treasury. The remainder came from state supplements to the federal payment.

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Because the Army really needs you. So if you want to serve your country as you serve yourself, see your local Army Representative listed in the Yellow Pages under "Recruiting" or call the toll-free number below.

## BY THE WAY...

By Joe Black



President Franklin D. Roosevelt, in an effort to uplift the morale of America's citizens during World War II, said: "We have nothing to fear but fear itself." But nothing stays the same, and those words have little meaning today for many who are approaching the age for retirement.

Senior Citizens have many things to fear: insufficient funds, robbery, loneliness, poor housing, inadequate nutrition, and plain old indifference from society. But that is not how it should be in these United States of America. These older citizens have worked hard on many jobs, weathered the storm of bias and hatred, paid taxes to support this nation, fought in wars to preserve democracy, and fallen on their knees to "open doors" so that we Blacks, coming behind them, could work at new and better jobs.

And yet we stand by, silently, and watch them struggle to live their remaining years with some dignity and pride. We can write our political representatives and tell them that the Social Security laws must be amended so as to be relevant to today's economic requirements. We can alert the police about that hoodlum element which steals their checks, snatches their purses, or breaks into their homes because they are old and defenseless; and we can take the time to extend the hand of friendship with a friendly hello or an offer to run an errand.

The suggestions are simple, economical, and real, and, my friends, don't ever forget that the hands of time continue to move, and soon they will be you.

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