

Las Amigas Observes Founder's Day Activities

Founder's Day activities were observed by the Charlotte-Mecklenburg Chapter of Las Amigas this month. A Candlelight Service was led by Las Amigas president Evelyn Turner, with responsive commitments from the members. Following the prayer, members joined hands and sang their Loyalty Song. Afterwards a Social Hour was held at the Excelsior Club. Mrs. Dora Mason, founder of Las Amigas was presented a Dish Garden by Geri Wiley.

Founders Day activities were concluded on Sunday, February 8, at the 11 a.m. group worship. Officers and members of Las Amigas worshipped at Beatties Ford Rd. Trinity Park Baptist Church, pastored by Rev. Robert Miller.

The "Outstanding Member", Lula Gaskins, was recognized at this service in addition to the numerous activities and services provided throughout the year by Las Amigas. Just a few of the services rendered by Las Amigas include a modeling project at Aery's Nursing Home; gifts and clothing to the poor and needy; adoption of a large family that was remembered throughout the years with gifts of clothing, money, etc.; scholarship funds; sponsoring a mini camp for young people; presentation of awards to outstanding scholars in the school system; and Christmas and

Ethel Alexander, Jeanette Alexander, Ann Anderson, Minni Allison, Veris Armstrong, Barbara Atwater, Arcasia Brewer, Jacquelyn Cox, Joyce Wardell, Lula Gaskin, Mildred Grier, Bettye Harrison, Jeanne Holtzclair, Mollie Houston, Cora Howard,

Dora Johnson, Margo Jones, Dora Mason, Joyce Matthews, Mattie Miller, Rosalind Nero, Carolyn Pitts, Helen Price, Sarah Staten, Frances Tarpley, Evelyn Turner, Carolyn Wyatt, Geri Wiley, Theodora Witherspoon and Johnnie Young.



Lula Gaskins...an "outstanding" lady Thanksgiving remembrance to residents of nursing homes and confined senior citizens Las Amigas sisters are

Irwin School Plans Open House

Irwin Open School, a public optional school located uptown at 329 North Irwin Ave., will hold a series of open houses to publicize its unique educational plan, which features individualized instruction and special programs in such areas as reading, science and the arts, for students in kindergarten through 5th grade.

Open house will be every Thursday in February and March from 9-11 a.m., to coincide with the school's application period, which runs from February 1 to March 31. An additional open house for working parents will be held on Thursday, March 12, at 7:30 p.m. Parents wishing further information and application forms should call the school, 334-5339, between 8 a.m. and 2:30 p.m.



Members of the Charlotte Chapter of the National Alumnae Association of Spelman College - they are: Brenda Smith, Millicent Mitchell, Pat Johnson, Bendetta Ferguson, Sherry Young, Barbara Hendricks, and Cheryl Taylor.

Recruiting Efforts

Spelman Alumni Chapter Entertains 14 Students

The Charlotte Chapter of the National Alumnae Association of Spelman College recently sponsored a recruitment program and luncheon for their alma mater at Friendship Baptist Church.

Fourteen juniors and seniors from local high schools attended the event which featured an informative slide presentation about Spelman College.

The participants browsed through a collection of annuals and other memorabilia from the members' personal collections. Mrs. Leah Creque-Harris, Director of Admissions at Spelman, was present to coordinate the slide presentation and to answer any questions about the college. Spelman has been educating black women for

the past 100 years. Offices of the Charlotte Chapter of the National Alumnae Association of Spelman College are: Sherry Young, president; Pat Johnson, vice president; Cheryl Taylor, recording secretary; Barbara Hendricks, corresponding secretary; and Jackie Blackwell, treasurer. Other members present at the program were Bendetta Ferguson, Millicent Mitchell, and Brenda Smith.

The following junior and seniors from local high schools attended: Colletta Bryce, Regina James, Yolanda Long, Janice Tyson, Laurie Brooks, Regina Robinson, Courtney Able, Bridgette Gibson, Brenna Delaine, Twanna Taylor,

Sabra Smoot, Larita Luster, Tammy Roseborough and Lori Coleman.

Noise Ordinance Now Law

The new noise ordinance will go into effect on March 1, 1981, and as of that date:

1. Pets are prohibited from making frequent and habitual noise such as barking, howling, etc.
2. Noise levels have been established for radios, tape recorders, phonographs, and musical instruments and cannot be exceeded on

adjacent properties. This noise is also restricted between 11 p.m. and 7 a.m. In City parks and other public property, the use of sound equipment is prohibited except in designated areas such as amphitheaters.

3. The outdoor use of sound trucks, except for emergency and utility vehicles, and sound amplifying equipment for commercial advertising is prohibited.
4. Noise from garage operations and filling stations is restricted after 9 p.m.
5. Garbage collected by front-end loading trucks is prohibited in or near residential areas before 7 a.m. and after 9 p.m.
6. The use of lawnmowers, motorized garden tools or shop tools is restricted after 11 p.m. and before 7 a.m.
7. Quiet Zones will be established around hospitals, schools and courts while in session, and noise which interferes with these operations is prohibited.
8. Standards will be enforced for motor vehicle noise, including engine and muffler noise. Vehicles with defective exhausts or muffler by-pass installations will be in violation. Off-road vehicles must adhere to the same noise-level standards and are prohibited from use between 10 p.m. and 7 a.m. on private property. No vehicle larger than 10,000 pounds fully loaded can be standing or running in or near residential areas long-

er than 20 minutes.

Marilynn Doby Embarks On Exciting Career

Marilynn Denise Doby is one Charlottean who has embarked on a challenging career. Ms. Doby recently joined the First National Bank of Atlanta as a management associate.

Doby, 27, will serve in various divisions of the bank in order to acquire general knowledge of the functions and interworkings of selected aspects of banking.

Presently she is assigned to the credit analysis department. Her duties include analyzing and interpreting financial positions of bank customers in relation to their solvency and financial strength as loan customers.

Graduating from Appalachian State University, Boone, N.C. in 1976 with a BS in speech communications-theatre arts, Ms. Doby then went on to complete her master's in counseling at North Carolina Agricultural and Technical State University in Greensboro in 1980.

Citizen Input Meetings Scheduled

A series of five citizen input meetings will be held over the next six months as part of a consultant's study of leisure services in Charlotte-Mecklenburg. The meetings will all be held at the Park Center Auditorium, 310 N. Kings Dr., starting at 7:30 p.m. on February 26, March 25, April 30, May 28 and July 13.

The purpose of the meetings is to obtain public comments and suggestions on a five-year urban park and recreation action plan being developed for the City of Charlotte by Harland Bartholomew Associates, Inc. of St. Louis. The plan is necessary to meet certain federal requirements.

Persons with questions or needing additional information should call A. B. Pearce representative of Harland Bartholomew Associates, Inc., Park Center, 372-3234.

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