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Attractive Audrey Payne
... "One Angel Of A Lady"

Audrey Payne Is Beauty Of Week

By Teresa Burns
Post Staff Writer

On day our beauty, Audrey Payne, sat down and thought up a profession in which a job would not be difficult to find. At the same time she wanted an enjoyable career. Her next step was to apply to Hamilton College and begin on her decided major, Fashion Merchandise. Now two years into her career she has only 18 more hours to complete to acquire her degree. Her life will soon turn away from the campus life and stretch out into the professional world. "I would like to be a buyer for a store, preferably in a large city such as New York," Ms. Payne insisted. When her mind is not preoccupied with her ambitions, Ms. Payne visits nursing homes. "I just go and

talk... Most of the time to people I don't know. I try to visit a nursing home at least once a week."

And it seems people are attracted to our Gemini 20 year-old beauty. "I love kids," Ms. Payne stated. "Our house is always full of them. They come and play and I just enjoy talking to them."

Ms. Payne also enjoys sewing, talking, taking pictures, and reading, especially poetry. She attends Torrence Chapel Church and is a member of the Young Missionaries and contributes to the church newspaper.

At Hamilton College Betty Hurst is her most remembered instructor, while her favorite entertainer is Peabo Bryson.

Her favorite person is her mother, Mrs. Emma Payne, mainly because she considers her mother her best friend. Our beauty is the middle daughter with one sister and one brother. Our beauty's experiences in life have taught her to... live each day to its fullest and make the best of it. She seems to be one who actually lives this sentiment in all aspects of her life.

Being one with a big heart, Ms. Payne would like to see harmony in the world. "I would like to see everyone, regardless of race, get along as one." There is so much that our beauty possesses: ambition, intelligence and a heart full of love. She's one angel of a young lady.

Citizen Park Input Meetings Scheduled

Two additional input meetings will be held as a part of a parks and recreation study for Charlotte. The sessions will be held in Park Center Auditorium, 310 North Kings Drive at 7:30 p.m. on May 28 and July 13. Free parking is available with a security guard on duty. Meetings have been held once each month since February. The purpose of the meetings is to receive public comment on the recreational needs for the 10-year master plan being developed by Harland Bartholomew & Associates, Inc. for the City of Charlotte. The plan is necessary to provide an overall system of facilities, services and management for parks and recreation in the area. The consultant has recently completed an evaluation of Charlotte's recreation system in terms of the system's strengths and areas which need improvement. All interested persons are urged to attend these meetings and participate in planning the future of recreation in Charlotte. There is no pre-registration requirement for speaking at the hearing.

Post's "Churchwoman Of The Year" Campaign Receives Rousing Kickoff

By Loretta Manago
Post Staff Writer

On Saturday, May 24, at 1 p.m. at the McCrory Branch YMCA, the candidates for "The Churchwoman of the Year" campaign, some of their committee members, Betty Pride, director of the campaign, Bill Johnson, publisher of The Charlotte Post and John St. Pierre, a local business consultant met for the first time. This informal meeting was scheduled for many reasons. First it was an opportunity for the candidates to meet each other and the coordinators of this program. Secondly, it was a chance for the candidates to discuss all of the details concerning the churchwoman campaign, to iron out any problems with the guidelines or manner in which the campaign is to be conducted and to discover the incentives that will serve as motivational devices along the way.

Doctors Seek Repeal Of Drug Law

Special To The Post
RALEIGH — The N. C. Medical Society and N. C. Society of Ophthalmology are seeking repeal of a 1977 law that permits optometrists to use prescription drugs. A bill requesting such action was introduced in the N. C. Senate Monday night by Sen. William G. Hancock, Jr. (D-Durham).

Dr. Thomas C. Kerns Jr., president of the N. C. Society of Ophthalmology, a group of more than 250 medical doctors specializing in eye care, explained the physicians' reasons for wanting to see the law repealed.

"The law is not working," said Dr. Kerns. "Although the statute states specifically that an optometrist must communicate and collaborate with a licensed physician before prescribing drugs, frequently this is not happening. Even if collaboration does occur," Dr. Kerns added, "optometrists are not medically trained to diagnose and treat eye disease."

Dr. Josephine E. Newell, president of the N. C. Medical Society, pointed out that North Carolina and West Virginia are the only two states in the nation allowing individuals who are not medical doctors to disseminate therapeutic drugs.

"This bill is not against optometry," said Dr. Newell. "Optometrists perform a valuable service in the examination of eyes for glasses and contact lenses. We're concerned strictly with the health and welfare of the people of North Carolina and the fact that drugs are being prescribed by persons other than physicians."

Ophthalmologists believe the law was originally passed partly because of the general lack of knowledge regarding the three fields dealing with eye care.



Mr. and Mrs. Charles Williams

...Benefit awards hosts

Eight To Receive Awards

House Of Charles To Honor Alan Rousseau Here Sunday

By Susan Ellsworth
Post Staff Writer

He's a two-term president of the Charlotte-Mecklenburg branch of the National Association for the Advancement of Colored People. At age 28, he's one of the youngest men to serve as an assistant to the Clerk of Superior Court.

Alan Gerard Rousseau will soon be honored for outstanding community service at the House of Charles' first annual benefit awards dinner.

Encouraged as a teenager to join the NAACP, Rousseau credited the late Fred Alexander and Kelly Alexander Sr. for inspiring him to become politically active.

Tagged by some with the stigma of a young upstart, Rousseau's philosophy is simply "do your job and let people see what you can do."

"Everything you do involves politics," said the 1975 graduate of North Carolina A&T University who has a B.S. in political science.

A great rise in conservatism is overtaking the country, according to

Rousseau. This conservatism is affecting budget cuts with minorities suffering the most. Reaganomics' intent is "to disrupt the lives of as few people as possible," he explained. Yet, he fears a negative chain reaction to the cutbacks will result.

Rousseau called "the hidden agenda (of the Reagan administration) to take the burden off the federal government and put it on the state." Instead of the federal government accepting responsibility for administering programs, Reagan is giving the states what may appear as more power, but in reality is more of an encumbrance.

As president of a civil rights organization, Rousseau emphasized he does not perceive government in terms of white and black.

"I'm an interracialist," Rousseau declared. And he does not see himself as a leader in the black community, "but as an official mouthpiece for the organization he represents."

According to Rousseau, if a white person belonging

to various organizations speaks out, his opinion is simply regarded as his own; whereas, a black person is regarded as a leader and spokesman for the black community, although his activities may simply parallel the white person's involvement.

Rousseau if a member of the Mecklenburg Jaycees, Young Democrats, Charlotte Business League, a Scottish Rite Mason 32nd Degree, and sits on the Board of Directors for the Charlotte-Mecklenburg Urban League. He has served on the Governor's Task Force on Reading for Mecklenburg County, is a past member of the Board of Directors of the Charlotte Area Fund, and State President of the Assistant & Deputy Clerks of Superior Court Association. The House of Charles' honoree attends Our Lady of Consolation Catholic Church, is married, has two daughters and resides at 3215 Burbank in Charlotte.

Rousseau will be among the eight people honored Sunday, May 31 at 2:30 p.m. at the Excelsior Club.

Benefit Amounts Paid To Dependents Not Affected

The Department of Health and Human Services, published on May 8, final regulations limiting maximum family benefits payable under the social security disability program. The change reflects provisions of the Social Security Disability Amendments of 1980.

The regulations limit the total monthly payments to a disabled worker and his or her family to the lesser of 85 percent of the worker's average earnings before becoming disabled, or 150 percent of the worker's disability benefit. The limit affects only benefit amounts paid to dependents, not the worker.

Under the old law, some disabled workers and their families received more in disability benefits than the worker received in take-home pay before becoming disabled. This discouraged individuals from re-entering the workforce.

The disability maximum provision is intended to strengthen work incentives and assure a more equitable relationship between the disabled worker's prior earnings and the benefits payable on the basis of those earnings.

Hearings Set On Burglary Problems

The joint City-County Citizen Task Force on Residential Burglary will hold two simultaneous public hearings on Wednesday, June 10 at 7:30 p.m. at Myers Park High School, 2400 Colony Road and North Mecklenburg High School, Statesville Road. The purpose of the hearings is to allow citizens to offer suggestions and comments on methods of preventing housebreakings in Charlotte-Mecklenburg. In addition, citizens will be able to ask questions of representatives of the Charlotte Police Department, Mecklenburg County Police Department, District Attorney's Office and other agencies to better understand the interrelationships of these groups and their impact on the housebreaking problem.

Citizens are urged to attend and make their ideas and suggestions known. The Citizen Task Force on Residential Burglary was formed to study Charlotte-Mecklenburg's residential burglary problems and make recommendations to the City Council and County Commission to reduce and prevent housebreakings, and to study the interrelationships between law enforcement agencies, prosecution officials and the courts as a way of educating the public on the operation of the criminal justice system. Then, the group will make recommendations of improvements in the system which would improve the efficiency and cooperation of these agencies, define the resources required for improvements and identifying funding sources.

The Task Force's final report will be made to City Council and County Commission within six months of the appointment of the Task Force.

Implementation of the disability maximum provision is expected to reduce disability program costs by about \$83 million in FY 1981, with a projected savings of \$576 million by FY 1985. The change will not affect disabled workers or their families whose entitlement became effective before July 1980.



Jesse Young

Rameses officer

Rameses Temple Sets Jubilee

Day Services

Rameses Temple No. 51 will hold its 88th Annual Jubilee Day service at First Mayfield Memorial Baptist Church, 901 Oak lawn Avenue on Sunday, May 31, at 11 a.m.

Founded 88 years ago, the Ancient Egyptian Arabic Order Nobles Mystic Shrine members will come

together to celebrate. The North and South American order was established in 1929 by the unanimous decisions of the nine justices of the U.S. Supreme Court.

In 1974 racial prejudice threatened the chapter's right to become Shriners, and others brought suit against them in a Texas court.

Many Rameses leaders donated funds to finance their legal right for survival and 15 years later in 1929 the Supreme Court confirmed their right to work and act as Shriners.

A Potentate Ball will be held June 6 at the Civic Center from 9 p.m. till 1 a.m.

Offices of Rameses Temple No. 51 illustrious Potentate Sylvester Currence, Chief Rabban Noble James Lilly, Assistant Rabban Noble Eugene Blakeney, Recorder Noble James Grier, Treasurer Noble Filmon Dawkins, High Priest and Prophet Noble Michael Lloyd, Oriental Guide Noble Walter Burns, Imperial Deputy of the Oasis Noble Edward J. High, Imperial Deputy of Desert of North Carolina, Nobel Jesse W. Young Jr., AEAONMS of N.

Small Business

WASHINGTON — The nation's 12 million small businesses play a vital role in the U. S. economy, according to Assistant Secretary of Agriculture Joan S. Wallace.

Speaking to 100 entrepreneurs at the U. S. Department of Agriculture's Second Annual Small Business Week Opportunity Fair, Wallace said USDA in fiscal year 1980 spent \$10.5 million with businesses owned by women, almost doubling its goal of \$5.5 million.



Ms. Sandra Anderson
...Green Oaks contestant

Lastly, the meeting served as a catalyst to charge these deserving women into making the "Churchwoman of the Year" campaign the greatest single event that the Charlotte Post, the local churches and Charlotte's black community have ever been involved in.

Needless to say that at the conclusion of the meeting all objectives had been most successfully



Ms. Kitty Cauthen
...Ben Salem contestant

achieved. After very inspiring talks given by Mrs. Pride, Mr. Johnson and Mr. St. Pierre, the candidates were elated and excited over the upcoming weeks. When they were informed that each week of the program prize will be given to the woman who sells the most subscriptions during that particular week, the excitement climaxed.



Ms. Helen Singleton
...Antioch contestant

These prizes, which will be donated by some of the Post's most loyal merchants include a gift from the Burger King which is located on Beatties Ford Rd., a \$50 food certificate from Dilworth Food Center, a free hairdo from Hair Original, a \$150 wardrobe, two gifts from the House of Charles and a free color TV. This week, The Charlotte

Post features three additional candidates. They are Ms. Sandra Anderson, Mrs. Helen Singleton and Mrs. Kitty Cauthen.

Sandra Anderson A recent graduate of UNC-Asheville, Ms. Anderson is a member of Green Oaks Baptist Church. While in school Ms. Anderson majored in Psychology. But now she's home and has already geared herself up for being involved in the church. She has served at Secretary of the Sun. School department and will soon become the advisor for the Junior Usher Board. It is her desire to find employment in her field. Working with her in her quest for the title "Churchwoman of the Year" will be her mother, Ethel Anderson.

Helen Singleton Along with her family the church ranks equal in devotion. She is a mother of four and a very hard working churchwoman page 17.



It isn't the whistle that moves the train.