

Gussie Floyd was recently elected "Woman of the Year" at Greater Mt. Sinai Baptist Church. Miss Floyd, an instructor for one of the adult Sunday School Classes, is also a member of the Matron's Missionary Circle. She is active in the Senior Choir and serves as the choir's vice president. Choir members elected her "Outstanding Choir Member" and presented her with a plaque during their concert November 1981. Rev. Norman Kerry is minister of Mt. Sinai Baptist

Fictional Classified Ads

Specialized Job Market?

By Mac Thrower Post Staff Writer The following is a fictional classified ad that is based very closely on the information in ads that appear regularly in Charlotte newspapers, including the Post:

Communications Representative Applicant must have the following credentials to be considered -

.1) Strong working knowledge of Data Processing

puter Science ..3) A background in Systems Analysis is definitely desirable

If you have all of the above qualifications, a notice such as this would probably indicate that you might be able to wind up banking an entirely reasonable salary of \$25,000 plus per year. If you're looking for job and don't have these qualifications, don't eyen think of applying for a job like this. Instead, you may have to head to the end of the line at the Emmission. Chances are you'll education, specialized

experience to compete for jobs in today's dangerously tight, highly competitive market.

President Reagan and others have noted that the classified sections of many newspapers contain listings of numerous employment opportunities. In a superficial sense this statement is true-but it does not take into account the special requirements for applying for many of these jobs. It is a problem that should be recognized and

certainly by those who are unemployed-and also by political and business leaders who need to make a serious effort to aid the growing number who are becoming vietims of the educational and technological advance of our society.

A recent survey of classified job listing in the Charlotte Observer, for example, revealed that out of an approximate 760 job openings listed, only 62 were open to persons with a ..2) A minimum of four college degree or training years experience and or a or experience in the par-Bachelor's degree in Com- ticular field. Though, fortunately, unemployment in Mecklenburg County has remained well below the national average, there is surely a large number of unskilled workers who must compete for a shrinking number of jobs that don't require special skills. With the factory shutdowns increasing in the Piedmont area, this problem is beginning to take on an ominous appearance.

The answer for those without a college degree or special training is not despair, however. There ployment Security Com- are relatively low cost opportunities available to be able to enjoy the com- obtain more education and pany there of many others special training. CPCC and like you who don't have the other community colleges and business schools in the training, or professional area have programs and courses for those interested in improving their job prospects. Hard work, persistence, and a willingness to make temporary sacrifices for future gain can still pay off for those who must fight to survive in the job market

Political and business leaders, too, need to stop pontificating about people pulling themselves up by their bootstraps" and recognize that there are disadvantaged individuals who need more than good dealt with constructively - advice in order to get a job.

Fashion Show For Sunday NCONW Sets Baby Contest

The National Council of to make this an annual Negro Women, Inc. is busy affair. helping the poor help themselves. That's one reason for their Baby Contest and Fashion Show which will be held Sunday, April 25, 7 p.m., at McDonald's Res- Bernard Adrey Jr.; Berntaurant on Beatties Ford

"The proceeds will be forwarded to the NCNW rational headquarters in washington, D.C. as our fair share," confirmed Ophelia C. Gray, president of Charlotte's section of NCNW.

'The organization's pur pose is to battle against hunger and malnutrition both in the United States and overseas," she continued. "Our group, composed of over four million women in the U.S. sends money to Africa and other countries; is involved in civil rights movements; helps pregnant teens...We use our professional skills to help others help them-

The Baby Contest and Fashion Show is just one program sponsored by the NCNW throughout the year. This is the first year the council has tried this endeavor but, according to Ms. Gray, members hope

Babies to be presented in the contest portion include: Antopis Banaport; Katrina Robinson; Brian Christopher Nivens; Walter

adette Ocala Bluford; Monique Thompson; Lois Catherine Hill; Jacque Kennedy Dewalt and Jamila Greene.

Committee members for the Baby Contest are as follows: Minnie Connor, Ella Yarborough, Mary Harris, Pearl Littlejohn, Grace Robinson, Geraldine Mitchell, Ophelia Gray and Mary Vaughn.

The Fashion Show will feature styles from 1930, 1940, 1950 and 1982.

The organization has surely been blessed Women have contributed through the council for 46 years. Mary McCloud Bethune, who died in 1955, was the founder. She indicated in her will her reliance on hope and that members of the council should possess the same attitude. She also expressed the needed desire to help our fellow men and her wish that future generations could find harmonious grounds.

NANBPW Will Honor Four Outstanding Local Women

The Charlotte Chapter of the National Association of Negro Business and Professional Women's Club. Inc. (NANBPW) will honor four outstanding women during the club's Founders' Day luncheon Saturday, April 24 at 11 a.m. at the Trade Street YWCA

Marian Campbell will receive the Club Appreciation; Thereasea Elder will receive the Club Community Service Award; Anna M. Hood, the Sojourner Truth Award - the Club's National highest award for service to mankind; and Vivian Williams will receive the Community Ser-



Anna M. Hood .. Receives highest award vice Award.

Each lady honored has her own particular style. The one characteristic all have in common, however,



Vivian Williams .Community service

fellow man The following sketches of each honoree gives an overview of why each lady

service to the Charlotte Club of the National Assois their desire to help their ciation of Negro Business and Professional Women's

Clubs, Inc. She is married to Roger W. Campbell

is being presented with

Marian Campbell is a

these prestigious awards.

teacher in Home Econo-

mics at Myers Park High

School. She is a graduate of

Hampton Institute and

Temple University. She is a

Baptist Church, Beatties

Mrs. Campbell will re-

ceive the Club Apprecia-

tion Award for faithful

member of Friendship

Ford Road

Thereasea Elder is a Carolina Public Health public health nurse for Mecklenburg County Health Department. She is a graduate of Lincoln School of Nursing, Durham, N.C., and has done further study at UNC Chapel Hill, Howard University and is presently en-

Smith University. of Second Calvary Baptist Church. She is basileus of Chi Eta Phi Sorority, Inc.. board member of Sickle Cell Association, member of the Heart Association.

member of the North

national chairperson of the rolled in the Urban Studies Department at Johnson C. award. She is a member of the Rockwell Park Com-Mrs. Elder is a member munity Association and the American Nurses Association. She and her husband, Willie, live in the Rockwell

Park area Mrs. Elder will receive the Community Service See NANBPW on Page 14

Association, the American

Red Cross, the American

Cancer Society and a past

member of the Charlotte-

Mecklenburg Community

Mrs. Elder is the founder

of the Cleo Yongue Scho-

larship award and past

Relations Committee.

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