



ANGELA SMITH
...Olympic Sophomore

Angelic Angela Smith

Is Beauty Of The Week

By Teresa Simmons
Post Managing Editor
A soft-spoken young lady, Angela Smith is hardly a softy when it comes to making decisions about her life.

"I enjoy taking mathematics because I know when I go to college I will need a lot of it. I'll have to do it so I'm trying to do my best now."

Ms. Smith would like to study computer science once she has completed her final two years at Olympic Senior High School. Even as a tenth grader she has realized that the present is no better time to start planning for her future.

"Everything will be computerized," Ms. Smith theorized. "By majoring in computer science this will help me to know about computers and how to use them. Right now I am putting forth a lot of effort in leading to this goal. I

would like to attend the University of North Carolina at Charlotte."

My mother, Rosa Smith, and my grandmother, Louise Smith, have both influenced me positively. My mother has set a good example and my grandmother is seeing to it that my goals are carried out," Ms. Smith contended. "My philosophy is to make the most of my goals...like my career. By watching others and seeing their mistakes I have learned and this is how I set my standards."

Ms. Smith, who is a native of Charlotte, is involved in church activities at the Holy Jerusalem Holiness Church where her grandmother pastors.

In church she sings on the choir, participates in various programs, and is learning how to play the piano. "I want to play for the church," she com-

mented. She is also a member of the Young People's Apostolic Union and attends Sunday School each Sunday. In travels with her church Ms. Smith has received numerous awards. Recently she was named "Student of the Year" at the church in Sunday School for 1981 through 1982.

At Olympic Ms. Smith continues her active role as member of the Executive Council, Red Cross, Peer Council, Student Council and the Discussion Making Process Committee. She also played a role in a school play, "Guys and Dolls."

"I like to get along with people, to go places and be with a lot of people," Ms. Smith stated. "Other things I like to do include reading books, mostly novels and going to the movies. I also enjoy the music of Donna Summer. When I was younger I listened to her songs and I used to say I wanted to be like her."

Today Ms. Smith has found her own identity, sharing love with her guardians, Caleb and Louise Smith, and her two sisters and three brothers. Even on her job at Bojangles and studying diligently at school Ms. Smith has found that her position in this world has meaning and that her job is to fulfill that purpose.

crats before the 1984 primary season."

Walker said that Democrats from across North Carolina attend the Jefferson-Jackson Day Dinner to be held in Raleigh on April 23. The announcement was made by North Carolina Democratic Party Chairman Russell Walker.

Bumpers, a potential Presidential candidate, is a former Governor of Arkansas. In the United States Senate, he is a member of the Energy and Natural Resources Committee, the Appropriations Committee, and the Small Business Committee.

The Jefferson-Jackson Day Dinner is the annual Spring fundraiser held by the state Democratic Party.

"We are very excited to have Senator Bumpers as our guest this year," Walker said. "Our goal is to present as many Presidential hopefuls as possible to North Carolina Demo-

He graduated from the University of Arkansas and Northwestern Law School. He served as a Marine Corps sergeant during WW II and was a small businessman before entering politics.

He and his wife, Betty, have been awarded the 1983 Excellency in Public Service award by the American Academy of Pediatrics for helping to develop a nationwide childhood immunization program.

As a senior member of the Energy Committee, Bumpers has maintained a close scrutiny of the Interior Department Secretary James

Senator Bumpers has recently been named among the "ten best" United States Senators in a poll of Washington correspondents and as the senator "most likely to succeed" in a Public Broadcasting Service "yearbook" poll of his fellow Democratic Sena-

SBA Withholding Funds From Black Businessmen

Area Fund Sets Public Hearing

The annual public hearing for the Charlotte Area Fund, Inc. will be held during an "open house" on Friday, February 25, at the Double Oaks Community Service Center.

From 9 a.m. to 5 p.m., members of the Board of Directors and staff will meet with the public concerning the agency's work plan for the program year May 3, 1983 - May 2, 1984. Copies will be available for review and comment.

The 1983-1984 plan of work of the Charlotte Area Fund focuses on the second year of a three-part effort to address community problems in personal income management and employment (career exploration, job seeking skills, skill training, and educational opportunities). During the next year the agency expects to work with a total of 1,100 people in these areas.

Funding for these services, totaling \$397,628, is under the Community Services Block Grant approved by the Division of Economic Opportunity in the N.C. Department of Natural Resources and Community Development. This is a \$2,270 increase over the current program year.

As a part of the annual planning process, the Board of Directors and the Planning and Evaluation Committee invite any interested citizen to review the plan and discuss proposed objectives with the staff.

The Charlotte Area Fund is located in the Double Oaks Community Service Center at 1326 Woodward Avenue (just off Statesville Avenue, north of Oaklawn) and the phone number is 372-3010.

Post Discovers Drugs Are Serious Problem On High School Campuses

By Karen Parker
Post Staff Writer

The full names of the subjects below have been respectfully withheld to prevent identification and possible damage of character.

After speaking with high school counselors last week, The Post discovered drugs are a serious problem on the campuses in Mecklenburg County.

Not only do administrators feel this way, but a recent discussion with some high schoolers at a local arcade, revealed many students are also disturbed about drugs being used by their classmates.

Scott is a high school junior, and nearly every day he sees a teenager rushing into a bathroom or ducking behind the old dumpster some distance away to "take" on a joint or even pop the cap on an alcoholic beverage.

"There's a lot of alcohol and marijuana at the school I attend," Scott openly stated. "I think if

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these people are going to smoke and drink they should at least do it away from school. School is a place to learn; and if you're high you're not going to learn very much," he continued.

Scott also feels that getting high in school is disrespectful to the many students who don't partake of such actions. "Even if a person doesn't drink or smoke marijuana, he or she can still be distracted by others doing it," Scott pointed out.

John is a close friend of Scott's and after an impressive game of Pac-Man he, too, presented his ideas about drugs in school. "Well, I only smoke cigarettes, and Scott is trying to get me to stop that," John stated amusingly.

John views drugs at school as a problem, but he estimates it's not as bad as it was last year when he was a sophomore. John



Linda Florence
...Recording secretary



Rev. William Lee
...Effective social change



Dr. Herman Thomas
SCLC chapter president

SCLC Chapter Formed Here

By Karen Parker
Post Staff Writer

The national Southern Christian Leadership Conference recently approved a proposal to form an SCLC local chapter in Charlotte.

According to the Rev. William Lee Jr. who will serve as vice-president of the local chapter, a meeting was held last Sunday to finalize organization. "Rev. Fred Taylor, national director of chapters and affiliates, and Rev. Albert Love, administrative director of the national organization in Atlanta, met with a large number of charter members to form the Charlotte chapter," stated Rev. Lee, pastor of Silver Mount Baptist Church.

Establishment of an SCLC chapter in Charlotte has been underway for several months, according to Rev. Dr. Herman Thomas, associate minister at First Baptist Church-West. Dr. Thomas is president of the newly formed SCLC. "After Charlotte delegates visited national headquarters in Atlanta, indicating a need for a local SCLC organization, it was decided that Charlotte is a good place to continue the work that Dr. Martin Luther King initiated," Dr. Thomas expressed.

"There is a large percentage of blacks in the Charlotte area and we don't want to let Dr. King's

spirit die," he continued.

"Dr. King founded the Southern Christian Leadership Conference in 1957. Its purpose is to give moral initiative, spiritual undergirding, and mass involvement of people to the struggle against racial oppression.

Rev. Lee expressed the non-profit, interdenominational organization is dedicated to utilizing the principles of nonviolence to bring about social, economic and political justice.

Dr. Thomas is hopeful that the Charlotte organization will "bear all of these good fruits." The following were outlined as the objectives of the Southern Christian Leadership Conference: to serve as moral conscience of the nation and the world; to utilize nonviolent direct action as a means of effecting social change and achieving justice; to exercise independent moral advocacy on behalf of the least of these toward the goals of political, social and economic justice and world peace; to bring to bear the moral imperatives of the faith on the economic and social order.

SCLC also promotes voter registration and political education, citizenship clinics and workshops on nonviolence, housing and community development, cooperative business projects, direct action pro-

grams to end discrimination, self-help economic and political projects, and the organizing of poor people with the support of human rights at home and abroad.

Dr. Thomas revealed one project of the Charlotte chapter will take place the first week in March. "We will conduct a voter registration rally March 3-4," he confirmed. On March 5, the Charlotte chapter will be visited by the SCLC national president, Dr. Joseph E. Lowery.

Dr. Lowery is expected to present the official charter and install the local chapter's officers. They are Rev. Herman Thomas, president; Rev. William Lee Jr., first vice-president; Lucille Petty, 2nd vice-president; Robbie Glien, 3rd vice-president; Linda Florence, recording secretary; Thelma McKay, corresponding secretary; Pearl Robinson, parliamentarian; Lonnie Graves, treasurer and Rev. Charles Puryear, chaplain.

The next meeting of the local SCLC will be held February 24, at 1534 West Blvd. in the Westover Shopping Center. Dr. Thomas expresses he would like to see all Charlotteans become involved by joining the SCLC Charlotte chapter.

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JCSU Host Career Awareness

Representatives from some 50 local and regional companies and organizations will be on hand for the fourth annual Career Awareness Conference to be held at Johnson C. Smith University February 17-18.

The conference will include classroom visits and lectures by company representatives, company recruiters with display booths and a general assembly for all students.

Assembly speaker will be Don Steger, assistant city manager for the City of Charlotte. Steger received his bachelor's degree from Bethune-Cookman College, his divinity degree from Gammon theological Seminary and his doctorate in Urban Research from the University of South Florida. Before coming to Charlotte, Steger was assistant city manager in St. Petersburg, Florida.

The assembly will be held at 11 a.m. on February 18, at the University Church.

For more information, call the career-counseling and placement office, 378-1045.

Minorities' Concerns Ignored

Special To The Post

New York Congressman Joseph P. Addabbo, a ranking member of the House Committee on Small Business, has charged that the Reagan Administration, through the Small Business Administration, (SBA) is engaged in a "deliberate effort" to keep money allocated by Congress from black and Hispanic businessmen.

In a statement released last week, Addabbo said, "It is time for this Administration to realize that it was elected to represent all the people, not just the rich."

"Direction must come from the White House to order SBA to make assistance available to minority businesses as intended by Congress," said the congressman. "It is both illogical as a matter of economic policy, and unfair as a matter of simple equity, for the SBA to turn its back on the needs of its minority constituents," he charged.

Addabbo presented data to show that for the first time in the 13-year history of the SBA, contracts to minority businesses decreased as compared to previous years.

He pointed out that in the fiscal year 1982, the SBA awarded contracts to black businesses with a value of \$100 million less than the contracts it awarded in 1981.

Addabbo also claimed that, of \$10 million in available funds for management assistance to disadvantaged businesses in fiscal year 1982, SBA obligated only \$5.7 million, leaving a surplus of 43 percent of available authority unused.

"This will enable the Congress to prevent SBA from deliberately ignoring minority business concerns," Addabbo pointed out. The New York Democrat said he was hopeful that the new Congress would give the legislation favorable consideration.

Alternative Energy Sources To Be Discussed

The economics of alternative energy sources will be the focus of discussion for the meetings of the Charlotte-Mecklenburg League of Women Voters Thursday, February 24.

Two meetings, both open to the public, will be held. A luncheon meeting is scheduled for 11:30 a.m. at Ivey's Terrace Room uptown (reservations required by February 22, call 552-1340, 6-9 p.m.). The evening unit will meet at Morrison's Cafeteria at SouthPark at 6:30 p.m. for dinner and 7:30 p.m. for the program.

League energy director June Kimmel and former Utilities Commissioner, Tenny Deane will lead the presentations.

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