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Late Starters Doing Extremely Well In Churchwoman Contest

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When the "Churchwoman of the Year" contest began four weeks ago, not all of the candidates started at the same time. Some candidates were as late as two to three weeks before they officially began reporting.

Jo Ann Singleton of Antioch Baptist Church and Hazeline Sarter of University Park Baptist Church, two candidates who fell into that category are using their tardiness as a means of determination and extra commitment.

Because she wasn't able to start reporting when the contest began, Mrs. Singleton plans to "double the number of subscriptions that she has normally turned in." "I am just going to work really hard these next two weeks," mentioned Mrs. Singleton. "I've gone out a lot in the neighborhood," she added.

Although she doesn't consider herself a good salesperson Mrs. Singleton was willing to participate in the contest because her pastor, Rev. Preston Pendergrass, asked her to.

If she could rank somewhere near the top as well as help her church raise some funds then Mrs. Singleton's goals would be achieved. She plans on reaching these goals with the assistance of Lois Pendergrass, Christine Gilliam and Helen Bell Smith. These persons make up her committee.



JO ANN SINGLETON

...Supporting Antioch

At Antioch Mrs. Singleton is on the Board of Education, a member of the Chancellor Choir, a member of the Pastor's Aid Society and Missionary Group No. 2.

The wife of Clinton Singleton, she is the mother of one son, Greg and a daughter, Thelma.

Mrs. Singleton is employed by Pic-N-Pay Shoes, Inc.

HAZELINE SARTER

There have been several factors working to impede the progress of Mrs. Sarter, but the greatest one would

have to be the strike her company is involved in. "I had counted on a lot of my co-workers to subscribe to the Post, but now with the strike people just aren't able to make that commitment," admitted Mr. Sarter.

She quickly added, "The Lord and I are going to have to come up with something during the next two weeks.

Although the odds have been against her Mrs. Sarter exclaimed that her adrenalin is still flowing and with her being behind the other candidates that's all the more of a challenge for her to "put her best effort



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forward."

A second time contestant Mrs. Sarter who participated in the first churchwoman contest had the decision to run again made for her. Her pastor, Rev. Palmer felt that since their church was getting a late start they should go with someone who had more experience in the contest. Rev. Palmer's confidence in Mrs. Sarter along with encouragement from Bill Johnson, friends and family members convinced her to try it again. The fact that her church could use the funds raised from this campaign didn't make the idea of participating such a bad one either.

On her committee is

Florine Chambers, Rev. Palmer, Gwendolyn Gabriek, Martha Richardson, Geraldine Hunter, Gussie Sutton, Annie Lypscob, Renee Carter, and Virginia Sharpe.

A member and the treasurer of the Young Adult Choir, Mrs. Sarter is also a member of the Scholarship Committee, secretary-treasurer of the Boy Scouts, founder and organizer of the Church's monthly newsletter and director of the Black History Drama Organization.

A CHLON representative, Mrs. Sarter is married to Odell Sarter and they are the parents of Felicia, Candice, Taurus, Vanesse,

Ricky of Washington, D.C. and Robin Nordt of Laurel, Md.

Mrs. Sarter is employed at Southern Bell.

Local Students

Among Most

Distinguished

Elder T.W. Samuels announced that 11 students from Greater Mount Moriah Primitive Baptist Church have been accepted for membership in The Society of Distinguished American High School Students. The students are Felicia Ardrey, Monica Ardrey, Betty Banks, Margie Bellamy, Lorna Brown, Chemisse Irby, Karen O'Rear, Priscilla Polk, Audrea Robinson, Mark Smith, and David Stanley. Founded in 1968, the Society has honored some of the most outstanding high school students in the nation.

To qualify for Society membership, a nominee must excel in academics, extracurricular, or civic activities and be nominated by a local sponsor. Once accepted for this select honor, members become eligible to compete for college scholarships through The Society's National Awards Program.

This year 118 colleges and universities have earmarked scholarship funds for Society members.

The Society has also presented a National Appreciation Award to Elder Samuels, the student's sponsor. This award was made "in acknowledgement of untiring efforts and steadfast dedication on behalf of the students from Mt. Moriah Church."

To preserve the honor, these members' names and their biographical accomplishments will be listed in the Society's 1983 Membership Registry.

TV From Tel-Color

Mrs. Ella Norman Wins This Week's Top Prize

Through the diligent efforts put forth by the "Churchwoman of the Year" candidates over \$1,000 have been raised to return to the participating churches.

With only two weeks remaining in the contest churchwoman contestants have added 614 new or

renewed subscribers to the Charlotte Post's circulation. In comparison to this same time frame in 1981, the candidates have increased the number of subscribers by 43 per cent.

Much of the hardwork displayed by the contest participants is a result of

the numerous prizes that have been sponsored by the Post's advertisers.

After it was announced last week that a drawing of the contestants or committee members' names who had sold ten or more subscriptions would decide who would win the colored television set, Ella Norman

was the winner of that drawing. A contestant from Second Calvary Baptist Church, Mrs. Norman is the owner of Norman & Long Florist Shop.

Next week the \$50 GIFT CERTIFICATE FROM Montaldos will be awarded to the individual who sells the highest number of sub-

scriptions.

According to Ken Finch, coordinator of the "Churchwoman of the Year" contest there are still some good prizes left. Nearing the conclusion of the contest Finch said "these valuable gifts will be designated to the strongest workers."