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VIVECA GOODING ...Accounting Service expert

Vivacious Viveca Gooding Has Lively, Energetic Way Of Speaking

By Jalyne Strong Post Staff Writer

When talking with Viveca Gooding, one is aware of her lively, expressive and energetic way of speaking. Possibly it is because her name is Viveca, which contains the word vive, the French word for "live." She says, "My mother was watching a movie late one night, saw the name Viveca and decided that's what she would name me." (It must have been a foreign movie.)

Twenty-one year old Viveca is employed with Wachovia Bank in Accounting Services. She obtained this job while she was attending Central Piedmont Community College majoring in business. Employment interrupted her studies but her wish is to return to college. Her aspiration is to become an interior decorator.

"I love furniture," explains Viveca. "I like to work with different colors and patterns putting them together in interesting ways." One of her favorite activities is to browse furniture stores to inspect how the furniture arrangements are done. The only drawback to this profession is, comments Viveca, she cannot find an interior decorating school in Charlotte. "I may have to

go out of town to attend a school." Presently, she has many hobbies and interests to keep her busy. They include reading, playing tennis, riding her bike and bowling. "I could go on and on," she exclaims about her many interests. "I love to shop for clothes. I'm interested in make-up and hairstyling." Viveca adds that her interest in beauty culture was influenced by Tracy Ross, the celebrity model from the television show, "Star Search."

"And I love to eat," continues Viveca. "My favorite food is seafood. I eat out often and I've found the best restaurants are O'Briens, with their rip-roaring ribs," she

laughs, "and Jonathan's, Limeberger's and for Chinese food, Imperial Gardens."

Her father heads her list of most admired people. "My father, Ray Gooding, (better known as Rockin' Ray, WBT radio personality) has been an inspiration. He's a real go getter," claims Viveca. "If he sets his mind to do something he doesn't stop until it's finished. He's into so many activities. I look up to him a lot."

"Of course, when I was little I wanted to follow in his footsteps," recalls Viveca. "I wanted to spin records, be on TV, and do commerce. See VIVECA On Page 14A

At Inauguration Protesters To Hit Joblessness, Racism

Special To The Post Forces opposed to President Ronald Reagan's reactionary program will mount the first major national demonstration against his policies at home and abroad since the elections at the inauguration ceremonies in Washington, D.C., on January 21.

The protest will target the new round of devastating budget cuts in social programs that the Reagan Administration is proposing while it protects the \$300 billion a year military build up. Demonstrators will also oppose U.S. ties to the racist apartheid regime in South Africa and the U.S. military intervention in Central America. Strong opposition will also be expressed to the terrorist bombings of abortion clinics that the Reagan Administration has belittled and encouraged with its campaign against abortion rights.

Backers of this counter-inaugural action include the Rev. Jesse

Jackson, Rep. John Conyers (D-MI), Rep. George Crockett (D-MI), the Southern Christian Leadership Conference (SCLC), and the American Federation of Government Employees, Capital Area Council, whose members face deep wage cuts in Reagan's budget proposals. The protest has been initiated by the All-Peoples Congress (APC) and the Peoples Anti-War Mobilization (PAM).

APC spokesperson Monica Moorehead noted this week that, "Scores of groups throughout the country and in the D.C. area who are concerned about more cuts in food, health, housing, education and jobs programs are organizing their constituencies to participate in the January 21 demonstration in the Capitol."

"We have found that people everywhere, whether they be students, the unemployed, the retired, the poor, or just people who think their money should be spent on

seeing to peoples' needs instead of making bombs, are eager to show Reagan and Congress that they have no mandate to continue their pro-war, anti-people policies. The counter-inaugural protest will be the first of many actions that will force the government to reckon with that fact."

The APC has been in the forefront of the movement against Reagan's policies over the past four years and has organized some of the largest national and local demonstrations against unemployment, war budget cuts as well as against racism, sexism, and bigotry against lesbians and gay men.

On Monday, January 21, demonstrators will gather along the inauguration parade route at 14th and Pennsylvania at noon in the main protest. People will also gather at 10 a.m. on Constitution Avenue (between 2nd and 3rd Streets) near the Capitol Building where Reagan is being sworn in.

Experts Agree

Child, Who Is More Adventurousome, May More Readily Get Into Trouble

By Audrey C. Lodato Post Staff Writer

Area experts agree that there is no one factor or set of factors that can be blamed for delinquent behavior in young people. There are, however, a number of conditions that can contribute to juvenile delinquency, according to Dr. David Hirschel, professor of criminal justice at the University of North Carolina-Charlotte.

Among these factors are the child's environment, "how conducive it is to either law-abiding or illegal behavior," and the individual make-up of the child. Dr. Hirschel states. For instance, a child who is more adventuresome may more readily get into trouble. "From a criminal point of view, a lot of crime can be kind of exciting," he remarks, citing shoplifting as an example.

James Yancy, chief court counselor with the juvenile court system in Mecklenburg County, indicates several other contributing factors, including poor parenting skills on the part of the child's parents or guardians, low self-esteem, failure in school, and the influences of friends and other peers. According to Yancy, "studies generally show that kids get in



James Yancy ...Chief Court Counselor

more trouble with peers than adults do. Children are a little bit bolder when they're with a group. But," he continues, "kids don't generally blame their friends. If you ask them why they did something, they say, 'I don't know.'"

According to both Yancy and Hirschel, the wide range of possible delinquent behaviors are matched by an equally wide range of

motivations on the part of the youngsters concerned. And, insists Yancy, you can't blame any one element, such as poverty, for the majority of delinquent activity.

Of 545 cases closed by the court counselors in 1983, the largest category was for "misdemeanor larceny" (defined as larceny for which an adult would get less than two years in prison). Yet, claims Yancy, the majority of offenders came from working families and did not "need" what was stolen.

"The key thing," he declares, "is what motivates the child, his internal controls. Does he have the ability to say no, or does he do things on impulse?" Yancy further remarks that parents are not always to blame. "Some of those whose parents have poor parenting skills may not end up in the (juvenile justice) system," he notes, while others, whose parents have good parenting skills, do.

Dr. Sehwan Kim, of the Drug Education Center, has authored a pamphlet entitled, "Drug Abuse By Students In Mecklenburg County: Main Findings, 1983," based on the results of the most recent survey conducted by the Drug Education Center in the school system. "There is a high correlation between drug abuse and other delinquent behavior," states Dr. Kim, and most of the findings he cites can be applied to delinquent behavior in general.

Survey results show that there are certain psychological syndromes related to drug abuse. Seven specific categories of student perception or attitude were found to be common among many of those who engaged in drug or other delinquent behavior. While these cannot be considered "causes" of delinquency in youth, they may have the effect of "predisposing" youngsters to delinquent activity.

The attitude factors are 1) the student's perception that she-he is not close to family members, has poor communication with parents, feels parents pick on him or her; 2) a highly rebellious attitude on the part of the student; 3) a negative social attitude (such as, "it's dumb to be honest"); 4) low self-esteem; 5) poor student-teacher relationships, the idea that teachers don't care what she-he thinks; 6) lack of valuing the worth of going to school; 7) an attitude favorable to using drugs (such as "parties and drugs go together").

In addition, it was found that students who work are more likely to use drugs than students who do not. See TROUBLE On Page 14A

Charlotte Community Leaders Stress Dr. Martin L. King's Dream Must Not Die

By Audrey C. Lodato Post Staff Writer

This week, persons of good will across the nation are paying tribute to the memory of slain civil rights leader, Dr. Martin Luther King Jr. Locally, King's birthday celebration has included worship and remembrance services, art exhibits, speeches by individuals prominent in the civil rights struggle, presentations, and a film festival.

Community leaders stress that "the dream must not die." Following are some of their thoughts on the man, the memory, and the dream.

County Commissioner, the Rev. Bob Walton, expressed his deep feeling for the late Dr. King when he said, "I think perhaps Martin Luther King Jr., could be considered the second father of our country. Many people refer to George Washington as the 'father of our country.' King is the second father of our country to the extent that no other one person has had the kind of impact he had on moving the nation



Charlie Dannelly ...Sums up feelings

toward the ideals and dreams of the founding fathers, the right to life, liberty and the pursuit of happiness. Martin Luther King has had more impact bringing that to realization than any other one person."

Walton believes the best way to



Mayor Harvey Gantt King's influence has been substantial

honor King's memory is to work toward the dream. "We can continue to work to bring about the full realization of his dream, as he stated so eloquently. His dream is deeply rooted in the American dream. It is our responsibility to continue work-



Rev. Bob Walton ...Working towards the dream

ing day by day so that all people will be judged by the content of their character rather than by the color of their skin."

Mayor Harvey Gantt believes that King's influence on American his- See LEADERS On Page 13A

TURTLE-TALK



Faith is believing that after the winter comes the spring.