



Earline Jordan is presented the national award for ministry to prisoners' families by Prison Fellowship chairman Charles W. Colson (middle) and vice president Alan K. Chambers.

Jordan Receives Prison Ministry Award

Special To The Post

Washington, D.C. - Ms. Earline Jordan, a resident of Charlotte, received last week a national award for her outstanding contributions to prison ministry. She was recognized specifically for her work with the families of prisoners.

Ms. Jordan received her award at

SpringScene

Charlotteans are invited to celebrate Charlotte's beauty during a new event, SpringScene: Charlotte's Bloomin' Event, uptown, April 20-25.

The event will focus on one of Charlotte's most distinctive features - its greenery. The City of Charlotte will decorate the Tryon Street Mall with special planters and hanging baskets filled with flowers and floral displays, and will plant in beds and medians along portions of East and West Trade Streets.

Charlotte nurseries will feature special displays, and sell plants and flowers along the Mall. Uptown businesses are encouraged to participate with window and store front displays, special events and other promotions that relate to the festivities.

On Saturday, April 20, Mayor Harvey Gantt will kick off SpringScene at 11 a.m. at NCNB Plaza. Following his remarks, the Charlotte Choral Society will present two 30-minute performances at 11:30 a.m. and 1:30 p.m.

Sidewalk performers, including mimes, clowns and musicians, will entertain on Saturday and Sunday afternoons, and at noontime Monday through Thursday.

Community participation in the event is encouraged. For information about SpringScene, call the Central Charlotte Association, 377-6911.

Casino Party

The Little Theatre of Charlotte Auxiliary will hold its annual Casino Night Party on Saturday, April 20.

The event will take place at the CPCC Forum. The evening will begin with a social hour (BYOB) from 7-8. The game tables will be open from 8 until 10.

At this time an auction with donated prizes will be held, followed by a champagne breakfast. Tickets are \$15 per person and are available at The Little Theatre office. For more information, contact Ann Thomasson at the theatre office, 376-3777, Monday through Friday, 10 a.m. - 5 p.m.

Records Managers

On Wednesday, April 24, the Piedmont Chapter of the Association of Records Managers and Administrators (ARMA), in cooperation with Central Piedmont Community College's Small Business Center, will promote records and information management by sponsoring an Information Management Exposition.

The O. J. Miller Auditorium at Duke Power's Electric Center will be filled with exhibits from various local vendors and service bureaus. Various vendors of microfilm equipment, computer-output in micro film, copiers, word processors, computer systems, space planners, filing systems, records storage, forms management, and temporary agencies will demonstrate how their products will improve efficiency of an office or business.

Products and services will be brought together in the auditorium for viewing, demonstrations, and consultations for office managers, small business owners, records managers, supervisors and anyone who is trying to deal with the explosion of records and information as we enter the Information Age.

ARMA is a non-profit association dedicated to the advancement of records management. The purpose of ARMA is to: promote and advance the improvement of records and information management, advance professional knowledge and techniques and develop and advance standards of professional competence in the field of records and information management.

With Campaign Debt

Kidd, Martin Ready For "Showdown"

The bad guy's been trailing D.G. Martin since November, taunting him, growing stronger, draining the former candidate's strength and reserve. Now it's high noon, and Martin is calling his nemesis into the street for a shootout.

Well, almost. High noon is really 3 p.m. on Saturday, April 20, and the street is Mecklenburg County Sheriff C. W. Kidd's Rocking K Ranch. The villain isn't a cattle rustler or a gun slinger dressed in black, either. It's a \$75,000 campaign debt wearing red - red ink.

Sheriff Kidd is holding a barbecue and rodeo fund raiser to help Martin retire the debt he built during an unsuccessful and expensive campaign for Congress last year. The two local Democratic leaders hope to attract patrons using a mailing to campaign supporters, brochures and newspaper advertisements.

"This is a rare opportunity, having an old fashioned barbecue-rodeo on a real sheriff's ranch," Martin said. "We thought it would be great fun and a chance for friends to see each other again and reminisce about the '84 campaign."

The tongue-in-cheek theme of the fund raiser's advertising is "On Saturday, April 20, Sheriff Kidd will shoot me..." if there's not a good turnout for the affair. Below the heading is a picture of Sheriff Kidd dressed in a cowboy hat, lawman's badge and gun holster, who is scowling at a nervous Martin. The sheriff's arms are folded imposingly across his chest, and there's a pistol in each hand.

No clue is offered about the rodeo events except that they will be "fast and foolish," with the possibility of Martin being persuaded to "tackle a frail calf or possibly an assertive chicken for our entertainment."

At the bottom of the page is a tear-away registration coupon for donors to fill out. Donation categories range from \$100 per sponsoring couples to \$10 for children under 12 years of age. In keeping with the humorous theme of the project, the coupon's heading reads, "I don't want the Sheriff to shoot you, D.G., so count on me to attend the party."

Jack McConnell, a close friend of



D. G. Martin
.....Ready to run again?

Martin and a former political advisor, conceived the unique advertisement. During the congressional race, he coordinated the candidate's highly-praised television and print advertising campaign, as well as the advertisements for the "Feeling Good" fund raiser in January.

Joe Ledford, one of the event's organizers, said Martin hopes to raise \$10,000 from those attending and other contributors. They also hope to attract at least 50 sponsors, he said.

In January, Martin supporters contributed over \$50,000 toward his debt of the "Feeling Good" party, a lavish, highly successful fund raising affair at Charlotte's Adam's Mark Hotel. Rep. Tony Coelho of California, the chairman of the Democratic Congressional Campaign Committee, attended in a

show of national Party support of Martin.

Sheriff Kidd's ranch is located near the intersection of Miranda Road and Beatties Ford Rd. three miles north of the intersection of I-77 and I-85. The fund raiser will last from 3 p.m. to sundown, and the rain date is the next day, April 21.

Free Screening

Free screening clinics are available for local children in April and May. At the Screen O'Ramas professionals and trained volunteers will check your child's speech, hearing, vision and development skills. Any child in Mecklenburg County who has had his or her fourth birthday or is ready to start kindergarten in 1985 (up to age five and a half) can be screened.

Call the Charlotte Neighborhood Centers Department at 336-2061 for more information and to make an appointment for these dates:

Saturday, April 27, Belmont Regional Center, 700 Parkwood Ave.

Saturday, May 11, Greenville Neighborhood Center, 1330 Spring Street.

Appointments are limited, so call early.

Screen O'Ramas are sponsored by Charlotte Neighborhood Centers, the Center for Human Development, Charlotte-Mecklenburg School System, and the Council for Exceptional Children.

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