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Jerline Woodley  
.....Enjoys cosmetology

## Jerline Woodley Mixes

### Career With Motherhood

By Jayne Strong  
Post Staff Writer

Jerline Woodley has been a cosmetologist at Teena's House of Charm, on Beaties Ford Rd., for two and one-half years. She's had her eye on this particular profession for a long time. Says Jerline, "I've always loved doing hair."

A graduate of Southeastern Beauty College, Jerline's capable of relaxing, setting and styling hair. However, she reveals that she's best at styling the curly look perms.

She chose cosmetology because of her admiration for the career and also, she admits, the job can prove to be lucrative. That is, "once you get your clientele established," Jerline points out.

When she's not working, this 23-year-old young lady is usually busy with her family. Married to Daniel Woodley, she's the mother of two children, Daniel Jr., five-years-old, and Tremika, three. She admits she definitely has her hands full with the two little ones. But for relaxation she likes watching football with her husband. And, she and her husband also enjoy nights out on the town, dancing. Jerline and Daniel frequent the local night spots, Mr. Pee's and Studio 54. She loves to dance the latest dances the "Wop" and the "Snake," and a few that she doesn't know the names of, to the music of Janet Jackson, the Time, and Prince.

Then, too, this week's beauty takes some time out with her

friends to go bowling for fun.

But most of all, Jerline enthuses, "I love being a mother. I love children, caring and being with them and buying them things." About her children, Jerline comments, "Raising them in the right manner is of most importance to me. I want them to learn how to make it in life independently. To get an education and to reach for the best in life."

Married at the young age of 19, Jerline recalls, "I had no worries about getting married. I felt I was ready." She enjoys married life. The best things about it being, "Sharing things, and doing things together."

"I like the way my husband and I understand each other," Jerline adds. Her husband is the person this week's beauty most admires. She respects him for his accomplishments and his kindness. "He's very, very supportive," relates Jerline. "And he's responsible towards his family."

A native of Huntersville, N.C., Jerline has lived in Charlotte three years. Charlotte is a great city to her. "The place has more activities," she notes, comparing Charlotte to Huntersville. "There are a lot of places you can go here and enjoy yourself."

Jerline describes herself as having a nice personality. "I can get along with everybody," she smiles.

Her plans for her future are to continue in cosmetology. "To keep growing in the profession," she claims. Maybe she'll own a beauty shop one day. And, of course, she'll continue making a happy home for her family.

This week's beauty attends Catawba Presbyterian Church in Huntersville.

### Marriage Enrichment

The "Association of Couples for Marriage Enrichment" (for married couples only) will meet on April 25, Friday, 7:30-9 p.m. at the WomanReach Center.

Fran and Jim Saxon will be the host couple.

For more information, call a WomanReach peer counselor Monday - Thursday, 10-9 p.m., Friday - Saturday, 10-4 p.m., at 374-3614.

## If \$11,000 Isn't Raised

# "There May Be No Summer Camp For Anita Stroud's Kids"

By Loretta Manago  
Post Managing Editor

Without \$11,000 a 50-year-old tradition of camping in the Anita Stroud Foundation, Inc. will die a premature death.

Without \$11,000, 50 inner city kids will miss out on a cultural, nurturing program that exposes them to a different environment.

Without \$11,000, the faces of the children that always beam and glow at the thought of spending two weeks at camp will be replaced with expressions of sadness and disappointment.

Ethel Guest, director of the Anita Stroud Program is working hard to prevent any of those things from happening. She has made pleas and continues to solicit donations from those individuals, organizations and businesses she feels know the importance of a program such as hers. But Mrs. Guest needs more help. According to her, there is no way of tallying what will be lost if "Miss Nita's" kids miss out on this enriching experience.

"Right now," she emphasized, "we have just enough money for one week of camp. We may not even have that."

Facing the grim possibility that there will be no camp this year, Ms. Guest, who worked alongside Anita Stroud for 25 years and assumed more of the program's responsibility as Miss Stroud's health failed, recalled her own memories of camp.

"We'd start out with 50 kids who had signed up for camp. But by the time the bus got under way, we'd notice there would be some stow-aways. Often we'd have an additional number of 20 kids whose parents put them on the bus without a suitcase of clothing or anything."



Ethel Guest  
.....Needs community support

Even today, Ms. Guest responded that as soon as the children have returned from camp, a number of them are approaching her and inquiring about when they can go to camp again.

What is it about camp that causes such an enthusiastic response from parents and their children?

As Ms. Guest sees it, camp provides several outlets for these

kids who often are culturally deprived. "For one thing, it takes them out of their environment. For the first time, many of these kids will get three, well-balanced meals. They get good nutrition, as well as spiritual nourishment."

Continuing, Ms. Guest added that the two weeks they spend at camp is a creative structured program that exposes the children to music, arts and crafts, environmental

education, recreation and Bible classes.

Beyond the surface rewards of camp, Ms. Guest-informed, "Through camp, we try to develop within the child, a better self-image and better communication skills. We try to motivate them to do well and to develop a love of learning. But most importantly, we try to give the children a sense of belonging and worth. So many of them need that badly."

But none of those things will be accomplished if the money needed to make this activity a reality isn't donated to the Anita Stroud Foundation.

The Anita Stroud Program, a nonprofit organization needs money not only for camp, but for its other worthwhile projects also. A program which has in the past been strongly supported by the community, the Anita Stroud program seems to have lost supporters. Ms. Guest said that during the last years of Miss Stroud's illness and especially since her death, contributions dropped off considerably.

"I think that a lot of people feel that since Miss Stroud passed that her program has ceased to exist. Even though the money shortage has become an acute problem since her death, I want people to know the Anita Stroud program is flourishing."

Ms. Guest, a retired art teacher and an exhibiting artist knows the blood, sweat and tears Miss Stroud put in her kids. "She worked too hard for what she believed in to die. I'm going to do all that I can to keep the program alive."

You can, too. Send a tax deductible donation to the Anita Stroud Foundation, care of St. John's Church, 300 Hawthorne Lane, Charlotte, N.C. 28205.

## On Wednesday, April 23

# Benjamin Hooks Is NAACP Freedom Fund Banquet Speaker

By Bonita Hardin  
Post Staff Writer

Benjamin L. Hooks, national president of the NAACP, will speak during the annual Freedom Fund Banquet sponsored by the Charlotte-Mecklenburg Branch of the NAACP on Wednesday, April 23, at 6 p.m. at the Adam's Mark Hotel on S. McDowell St.

Hooks can be readily identified with his association and involvement with the oldest civil rights organization in the world, the NAACP. However, his highly successful career spans a number of fields. He first gained nationwide recognition upon his nomination in 1973 to serve on the Federal Communications Commission. He became the first black judge to serve in the Shelby County (Memphis) Criminal Courts. Known for his highly effective and persuasive oratory, he became the first national political figure ever to address both national and political conventions in 1980. He has also served as a lawyer, ordained minister and prominent businessman.

Hooks also continues the NAACP's tradition of providing technical and financial assistance to the black community.

Hooks was born in Memphis, TN, and attended LeMoyn College in Memphis and Howard University in Washington, DC.

In 1948, he obtained his J.D. degree from DePaul University



Benjamin Hooks  
.....NAACP national president

College of Law, Chicago, IL.

He is a World War II veteran and served in the 92nd Infantry Division campaign in Italy.

A tribute to Kelly Alexander Sr. will be presented by the GM Productions, a resident theatre

company for the Afro-American Cultural Center. Geraldine Mason, member of St. Paul Baptist Church, will do a solo.

Tickets for the dinner will be \$25. The general public is invited to attend.



Mayor Harvey B. Gantt was presented a special plaque by W.T. Hopkins of Professional Business Systems recently on behalf of the North Carolina Independent Business Forms Distributors and Manufacturers.

April 23 has been officially recognized "Buckle-Up North Carolina Day" by Governor James Martin. Martin and mayors in cities statewide were honored at special plaque presentations in appreciation for their support in this vital public service campaign.

Sponsored by the National Business Forms Association in Washington, D.C., the campaign goal is to produce enough business forms carrying the "Form of Safety" logo to circle the globe. North Carolina is the first state to adopt this program on a statewide basis. The N.C. membership has eagerly supported this effort and literally thousands of forms have been manufactured displaying a special "Buckle-Up" logo which can be seen on bank statements, computer paper, invoices, and other printed matter. "We are trying to save lives, not sell business forms," said Mr. Hopkins.

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You cannot do a kindness too soon, because you never know how soon it will be too late.