

The Charlotte Club of The National Association of Negro Business and Professional Women recently held their annual Vocal Arts Competition at Memorial Presbyterian Church. Pictured left to right: Sarah Coleman, chairman, Gwendolyn White, Emory Clark, Chriscythia Floyd, Damon Stinson, winner and Anna Hood, club president.



Rev. Weems Will Speak For Friendship

Friendship Missionary Baptist Church will observe Women's Day on Sunday, March 20, during both the 8:30 a.m. and 11:00 a.m. Services. The theme is: "Women Accepting God's Call to Grow and Care Through Cooperation." A special Women's Day Choir, under the direction of Linda Hoover McClain, will provide the music.

The guest speaker will be Rev. Renita J. Weems, an instructor in Old Testament Studies at Vanderbilt University Divinity School in Nashville, Tennessee. Rev. Weems is a native of Atlanta, Georgia and a graduate of the public schools there. She earned her undergraduate degree from Wellesley College, her Masters of Divinity from Princeton Theological Seminary and is currently completing her Ph.D. requirements in Old Testament at Princeton.

Rev. Weems is a trained economist, has worked as a public accountant and as a stockbroker. She is also a freelance writer with numerous articles appearing in several national publications. Her most recent article, "Born Again", is in the January, 1988 issue of *Essence Magazine*.

Additionally, Rev. Weems is an ordained Elder and Minister in the New York Conference of the African Methodist Episcopal Church and a member of Allen A.M.E. Church in Jamaica, New York, where Congressman Rev. Floyd Flake is Pastor.

Women's Day Chairperson is Daisy Walker, and her Co-Chairperson is Jean Grier. Dr. Clifford A. Jones, Sr. is Friendship's Pastor.

Alpha's Convention

The 1988 Southern Regional Convention of Alpha Phi Alpha Fraternity, Inc., will be held in Charlotte at the Marriott City Center. The convention will commence on Thursday, March 24th and continue through, Sunday, March 27th.

Highlights of the convention include the Public Session at 11 a.m. on Saturday preceded by workshops at 9:45 a.m.

on Franchise Business Opportunities conducted by Mr. Robert Devery.

Miles D. Robinson, of Young, Robinson Associates, Inc., will conduct a workshop on Putting Together a Business Financial Package.

Brothers from Johnson C. Smith and UNCC along with the

local Alphas will serve as hosts.

The host chapters anticipate approximately 400 visitors to attend the convention.

The Fraternity's theme for 1988 is "African American Male: Coming of Age-Vanishing Species".

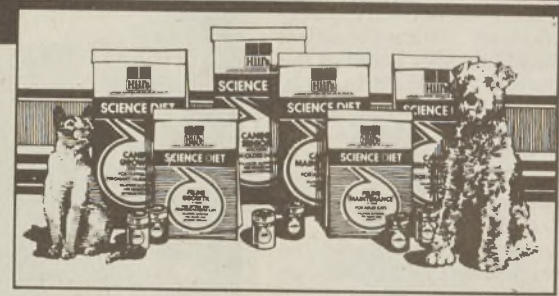
For the latest in spring fashions and accessories, see this week's "Spring & Fashions" tabloid!



The Charlotte Chapter of Banker's Educational Society, Inc. recently held their 2nd Annual Oratorical Contest for area college students. There was a 1st place tie between Walter Willis and Robin Bishop both from JCSU. Contestants pictured left to right: Walter Willis, Gail Crockett, Robin Bishop, Freda Powell, Bernard Cason, Gregory Bryant and Marino Bruce Davidson.

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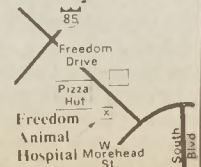
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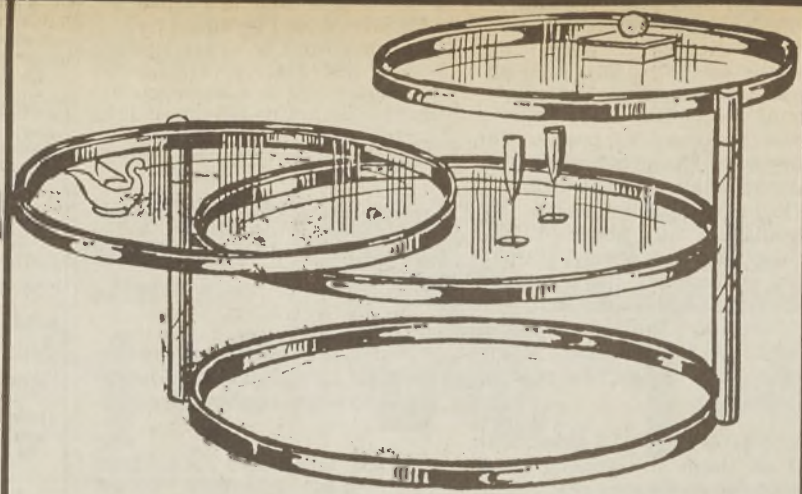
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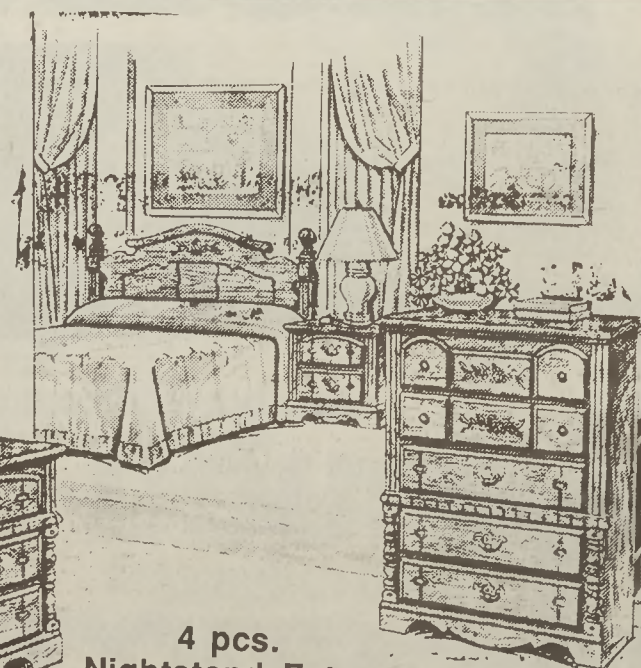
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