



Alexander

Couple To Wed In November

Mr. and Mrs. William Travis Alexander of Charlotte announce the engagement of their daughter, Patricia Nanette Alexander, to Mickey Johnson, both of Euclid, Ohio. The groom-elect is the son of Jesse Johnson of Bent Harbor, Mich., and the late Louella Johnson.

A Nov. 25 wedding is planned at Second Calvary Baptist Church.

Goodwill Store Offers Costumes

Shoppers seeking Halloween costumes for adults and children are invited to shop at the Goodwill Industries' Super Store at Freedom Mall (I-85 & Freedom Drive) in Charlotte. The store will feature a Halloween Costume Corner from Saturday, October 16 through Tuesday, October 31.

Throughout the year, as Goodwill Industries collected donations of clothing, items especially suited for Halloween were saved and will be featured in the Costume Corner.

In addition, volunteer 'Costume Consultants' will offer costume ideas and suggestions for 'building' your own costume. Costume Consultants will be available, these days and times:

Friday & Saturday, October 20-21, & 27-28 - 11:30 a.m. - 1:30 p.m.

Monday, October 30 - 11:30 a.m. - 4:30 p.m.

Tuesday, October 31 - 11:30 - 4:30 p.m.

This is the first year for our Costume Corner, said Michael Elder, president, Goodwill Industries of the Southern Piedmont. 'Costume shopping at Goodwill Stores has become quite a tradition in other parts of the country. People use their creativity to put together terrific costumes at a very low cost, and then often donate those items back to Goodwill after Halloween.

'It's a unique way to help people with disabilities in our community,' adds Elder. The donation and sale of clothing and other items support Goodwill Industries work training and job placement services for people with disabilities.

Shoppers can register for ticket give-a-ways to the UNCC Theater production of 'Dracula' in all four Goodwill Store locations - Charlotte, Gastonia, Monroe, and Rock Hill. Two pairs of tickets will be given away. 'If you have clothing or costume items you no longer need, consider donating those to Goodwill in October,' adds Michael Elder, Goodwill Industries of the Southern Piedmont. 'You'll help to ensure that our first Costume Corner is successful by donating and shopping.'

Program Recruits Blacks For Writing Contest

CARRBORO, NC - The North Carolina Writers' Network (NCW) is pleased to announce its second annual competition for black writers as part of its Black Writers' Identification Program.

Eligibility: Any black writer who is a North Carolina resident; open to writers of all genres: poets, fiction writers, playwrights, nonfiction writers; winners must be available to read from their work at a public reading in the spring of 1990.

Submission Guidelines: Each writer may submit one entry only; each entry is limited to 25 double-spaced, typed pages;

submit 2 copies of your entry; do not include name anywhere on manuscript; submit 1 typed cover sheet with your name, address, telephone number, the title (or titles if applicable) of the piece (or pieces) you are submitting; retain copies of your manuscript because they will not be returned.

Judging: Final judging will be conducted by a nationally-known black writer. Last year's final judge was Bell Hooks, author of *Talking Back*.

Prizes: Five winners will each receive a prize of \$200. Any winner unable to be present to read from his or her work at a public

reading scheduled for the spring of 1990 will forfeit their prize. The prize will then be awarded to an alternate selected by the final judge. If any winner is unable to read from their work because of a disability, alternate arrangements will be made to have their work read, and the prize will not be forfeited.

Deadline: November 1, 1989. Entries postmarked after November 1 will not be considered. Winners will be announced in January, 1990.

Submit Entries To: Black Writers Competition, North Carolina Writers' Network, P. O. Box 954, Carrboro, NC 27510.

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