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HOPE AND HERITAGE PROGRAM

...On Monday, February 3, 1975, the Minority Arts Committee presented a soul searching presentation. It was a production of Black history using the Black church spiritual as a theme. The history of the Black man was beautifully traced through song and music and narrative reading by the Hope and Heritage cast which consisted of: Grant Redding - soloist; Gary Grant - narrator; and George Jones - pianist. The audience was asked to clap and if it meant enough to them sing along. Some of the good old hymns and spirituals sung dated back to the crossing of the slave boats to their present revised and updated forms. However, the essence of the good old time spiritual was still there.

Ms. Redding once had a local TV

program that aired in the area for two years. Her group has now left the area and have formed the Evan Redd Production. Kenneth Hammond, who is in charge of Minority Arts Programming was helpful in furnishing the background of the Hope and Heritage Program. Mr. Hammond also said that the Hope and Heritage Program is scheduled to be reaired over TV network in half hour series that will last for 10 weeks. These programs will be in a more elaborate form than the one presented here. They will be retelevised on channel 25.

The turn out for the Hope and Heritage Program was not commendable at all but the ones that did attend it enjoyed it and will remember it for quite a while.

FAREWELL ECU

By ANTHONY RAY EVERETTE

An ECU senior graduating Winter Quarter found time to tell of her East Carolina experience and her short range plans.

Cynthia Newby, presently the Secretary of Minority Affairs here at ECU, graduates with a BA degree in Psychology. "I'm glad to have come to ECU," she said. "I have really enjoyed it and during these four years, I have met some of my best friends ever. I know I'm going to miss it but I hope to return here to graduate school this fall," Newby added. "Even then," she continued, "I plan to be active among the Black students and assist in whatever organizations I can."

Asked about what she plans to do until fall quarter, Cynthia replied: "I plan to work from March until August. I will still live here in Greenville and I have applied for employment at various places, including Procter and Gamble Co., and Wachovia Computer Center."

Since Cynthia has been the Secretary of Minority Affairs, the bill was passed recognizing the "Ebony

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Case of Joanne Little

The young lady that is stirring up the sympathetic and narrow minds today is Joanne Little. She is a twenty-year old jail inmate that may be facing a death sentence for defending herself against a jail guard who tried to rape her. In hysterical fear she stabbed the guard repeatedly and fled. When she realized she would never be safe, she turned herself in. It was just in the nick of time. She was about to be declared an outlaw to be shot on sight.

Joanne is getting biased coverage by papers, is to be tried in her own country where she undoubtedly cannot receive a fair trial and she cannot afford a proper investigation of her case.

Besides Joanne's life being at stake, also other important rights are at stake

and the outcome of the trial will indicate how big a step the courts will take to insure every human equal treatment under the law. These rights include the right to defend oneself against sexual abuse in prisons, the right to adequate trials despite race and sex and proper use of the death penalty.

Kappa Alpha Psi and the Pyramids of Delta Sigma Theta joined to raise money in the behalf of Miss Little and other women like her. The money will help support Miss Little's trial and investigate other trials of the same nature.

Thank you to those who contributed. I hope the funds will bring about some changes.



Cynthia Newby

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ANNOUNCEMENTS

The SOULS fund raising committee is sponsoring a SLAVE SALE, women coeds will be auctioned to the highest bidder. The Sale will be held Feb. 14, at 6:30 till the auction is complete. The ladies will be slaves for a two hour time period. After the auction there will be a big party in the Basement of Beik.

openings for student union committees applications for chairperson--
Feb. 17 - March 7
members
March 14-21
applications to be picked up in Mendenhall

Membership is open now for the INTERCOLLEGIATE ASSOCIATION FOR WOMEN STUDENTS (IAWS). This organization is open to both males and females, off campus and on.

Applications for Hall Advisors in the women's residence halls are available now through your dorm administrators.

The Women's Residence Council is sponsoring a semi-formal dance March 14 from 9 til 1 in Wright Auditorium. Entertainment will be by THE EMBERS and the newly formed Black band on campus QUIET ECSTASY. This promises to be a real treat and we urge your attendance. Tickets will be on sale at Mendenhall box office very soon. Ticket prices are as follows:

Advance couple	\$4
Advance single	\$2
Door couple	\$5
Door single	\$2.50

Wednesday March 12 at 7:30 In 105 Fletcher Music building auditions will be held for Raisin In the Sun.

Raisin in the Sun is a play about the problems of a Black family in an era which marked the change in attitudes in the Black community. It depicts the difficulty a man undergoes to try to prosper in a world of change.

Choir rehearsals will be held at 6:00 in Mendenhall. New voices are encouraged to join the choir.

Free to students

CONSUMER PAMPHLET TO BE PUBLISHED

The Student Consumer Union will be publishing two educational pamphlets that will be distributed free to students by the beginning of Spring Quarter.

A food pamphlet will be given to all students behind the Old Gym the first day of Spring Quarter. It will contain an objective evaluation of over 60 places to eat in the Greenville area, explaining the kinds of food served, prices, type of service, and atmosphere.

An apartment guide will also be published to aid students who are looking for off-campus housing. Each

apartment complex will be evaluated plus other kinds of housing, such as private rooms, duplexes, or entire houses for rent. There will also be sections on the legal aspects of renting and what to look for in a place before you rent it. This will be distributed only to rising juniors, seniors, graduate students, and married students because of the East Carolina Housing Rule that all freshmen and sophomores must live on-campus. If any questions arise please call Coretha Rushing at 752-0184.

Bill Byrd,
Chairman, Student Consumer Union

SORORITY AND FRATERNITY NEWS

A rush party has been scheduled for Feb. 19, 1975 in the multi-purpose room at Mendenhall at approximately 7:30 p.m.

OMEGA PSI PHI SWEETHEARTS

Corissa Greene
Robble Lawrence
Cynthia Newby
Terry Thompson
Tekela McClaire

Queen Mary Fisher

Trophies were presented to last year's Queen - Terry Thompson and Sweetheart Rainelle Tilley received a laplaler. The sweetheart court received laplalers. The Sweethearts and Queens were presented at a large party in their behalf.

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Herald" as an official publication of ECU and funds for it were started. Cynthia considers that as one of her greatest accomplishments while in school here, along with being selected among Who's Who. "Perhaps my greatest accomplishment of all is that I was the first member of the A.K.A. Sorority on this campus. I "went-over" at Elizabeth City State University and then returned here and reorganized the chapter."

Miss Newby, in conclusion, left this as advice to all students, especially the Blacks: "Get in as many organizations as possible. Having a lot to get under extra-curricular activities helps in finding a job - it looks good to employers. Finally, get to know your instructors very well. You will need recommendations and they can help you."

DELTA SIGMA THETA

The sisters of Delta Sigma Theta Sorority, Kappa Sigma Chapter Inc. have been continuing work on past projects. The Big Sisters Program for VISTA is still a big volunteers part of our work schedule. We have planned for the near future, a party for BIG Sisters and their Little Sisters. This is to give the little girls an opportunity to get out and socialize with others. We are trying to keep the girls busy, since many of them are court referrals and need to stay out of trouble.

We are still working with the Sunshine Program also. We have a tutoring service at the Moyewood Center from the hours of 4:30 to 6:30 for any child with study problems or any problems that we can help them with.

The Pledges are busy at work weekly doing volunteer service work at rest homes throughout Greenville and surrounding areas. They are also doing person service work.

Our plans for March are not complete at present but the services and work we are presently engaged will continue throughout the school year. We also plan to support S.O.U.L.S. in their Slave Auction.

ALPHA KAPPA ALPHA SORORITY

The Alpha Kappa Alpha Sorority sponsored a Heart-A-Thon for the Pitt County Heart Fund February 11 thru the 13th. Donations were gladly appreciated.

"WHY IS THERE NO BLACK SYMPOSIUM?"

There was at one time an outcry for a Black Student Center or recess area. Before Christmas vacation, the administration granted these needs. Unfortunately, there has been no real extra steps taken by the administration to legally turn over the Old Print Shop behind the infirmary which is to be the Student Center to the Black campus. There must be some type of problem keeping this from taking place. There has been a question of legality and other formalities when concerning the room.

A lounge has been set aside for the University's International students and there was little difficulty in achieving this. The Blacks are a minority also, as a matter of fact the largest one on campus. The demands of the majority of the students which are white are met quite easily. Why is it that the acquisition of the center has run into so many small but humiliating legalities? This campus just like any other has problems and this can be seen

but once an agreement is made between the student and the administration, it is up to them to keep it if the Student Body is willing to do its part. Although, times have been long and tedious when concerning the Black minority, the times have to pick up. Then there is the question of how the administration is going to be able to fulfill the Black Students' needs if there is no continuous outcry or gathering. Without any type of outburst, the Black minority stands as a dumb mute. This situation can be erased if there were just at least some type of gathering. There can be no meeting of demands if the mouths of the people remain closed because it is impossible for the minds of people to be read. The Black Symposium can be started but there is the question of its initiative push. To stand together as one and strive for an ideal goal can bring about many changes. ■

The Editor

EBONY HERALD GOES BEFORE THE SGA

On Feb. 7, 1975 The Ebony Herald went before the board of appropriations to ask for more money to support the publication of the Ebony Herald. Maurice Huntley presented the bill and the necessity and circulation of Ebony Herald was discussed. Our appropriations proving valid we went before the Student Legislature Monday Feb. 10, 1975. Cooperation from the student body was needed but due to the lack of concern the only ones present to push the bill was the Editor, co-editors and two, mind you just two interested Black students at ECU. Thanks for the support. The bill was discussed quite heavily within the body. There was a bit of congestion from a legislator who was a member of the Fountainhead but other members did not agree with him and the bill passed. So if you are surprised because the Ebony Herald is not only legible but on print this is the reason. ■

PRESIDENT OF S.O.U.L.S. SPEAKS OF UNITY AND COMMUNICATIONS

An important factor in the overall unity of a People is through an effective informative communication system. The knowledge of things about us, around us and directed toward us will be made available for our response through the Ebony Herald. But the essence of unity begins with you, in your mind and throughout your soul. It's not real and cohesive without the total you. It seems that some progress is being made or at least more than it was yesterday. I thank the people. It was you who made this happen and it's you who must continue to make things happen.

A quote is applicable at this time, "A battle never won is a battle never fought."

I don't have any news good or bad
no encouraging words to strike a
smile when frowns are in their
place
only talk of me, you and
us joining hands
as we march across
this land.

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LETTER TO THE EDITOR

To the editor:

I would like to express my thanks to you, your staff, the legislator who introduced the bill and the SGA for making the Ebony Herald a reality. Everyone worked very hard to get the money appropriated for the publishing of Fountainhead. I would like to note that only two Blacks were present Monday to help support the bill, myself being one besides the executive members of the Ebony Herald.

The paper is a necessity because the

other campus publications do not cater to Blacks as far as communications is concerned. For instance, a picture of Miss Black ECU did not even make the last page of the Fountainhead. Now, we as a unit have an opportunity to express our ideas and creativeness. I would like to urge everyone to utilize this paper since we have the opportunity and the ability to do so. Sometimes we have a tendency to talk loud and do nothing.

Shella Grant Bunch

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THE GENTLE GIANT

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ROBERT GETER

...The other forward spot will also be well-manned..Robert Geter has the potential to be the team's leading scorer and the 6-6 senior has an excellent rebounding touch..Geter averaged 8.6 points a game last season.

(Fountainhead)

Although the newspapers did not really show it, there was one obvious factor that kept the ECU Cagers in the basketball game with Furman last Monday night and that factor was Robert Geter with his strong rebounding. Geter or "Gete" as he is called on campus is known by everyone and is well known for his baggy jeans. To just look at Geter you get the feeling right off that he is a together person.

His spirit of competition is one of the most fiercest to be seen and he never gives up no matter what the situation may be. Bob, a senior from Columbia, S.C., came to East Carolina with this school as his first choice. Coming out of Southeastern Community College in Whiteville, N.C., he said that he could have went to a Black school but then there was the question of enough publicity of the Black Institutions.

When asked about his fellow brothers and sisters here about

togetherness he replied that we were "together in Blackness but...not together in unit." He also stated that it seems as if we are too envious of each other. "There must be more organization in our functions, especially in The Society of United Liberal Students (S.O.U.L.S.). This type of reorganization is going to be full of hard work and time." Geter also pointed the need for more academic opportunities for Blacks, meaning Black studies. It was also pointed out that if these were offered, there would have to be a great response to them from the Black students.

Geter played what he felt were his best games here with Davidson on February 8, scoring twenty-two points and up to VMI a few weeks back scoring 23 points. He still feels that he has not reached his peak yet but everyone thinks from the way he plays that he is very close to it.

After graduation, Geter hopes to prolong his basketball career (hopefully in the pros) if possible and if he cannot, he will teach and then coach. Bob stated that athletics has become his life ever since he was a senior in high school and that he could never give it up. He said something to me that summed up his style showing the real "Gete" by saying as he was leaving, "Athletics is me." He couldn't have said it any better. ■

GAMMA OMICRON

The stepping stone of the Gamma Omicron Chapter of Kappa Alpha Psi Fraternity came about on ECU campus at the beginning of the winter quarter of 1973. Through the interest of sixteen students (who organized an interest club known as Men Interested in Kappa or the MIK's) a chain reaction of events took place.

At the beginning of the spring quarter of the 73 and 74 school year, the MIK's were recognized as being affiliated with the Kappa Alpha Psi Organization. They began sponsoring small fund raising projects and set weekly dues to establish a sound treasury. During the later part of the spring quarter the MIK's went through an induction ceremony to become official pledges, Scrollers of KAY. Due to the many expenses that had to be paid, the Scrollers sponsored two bake sales, three parties and one dinner to help carry the load. The Scrollers were under the supervision of the Rocky Mount Alumni Chapter of the KAY organization. Through intense effort and strategic planning, the Scrollers managed to be inducted into the organization. The pledges were also inducted into the organization. Since that time the Scrollers have been active

in order to establish recognition and respect shared by nearly all the Fraternities on ECU's campus.

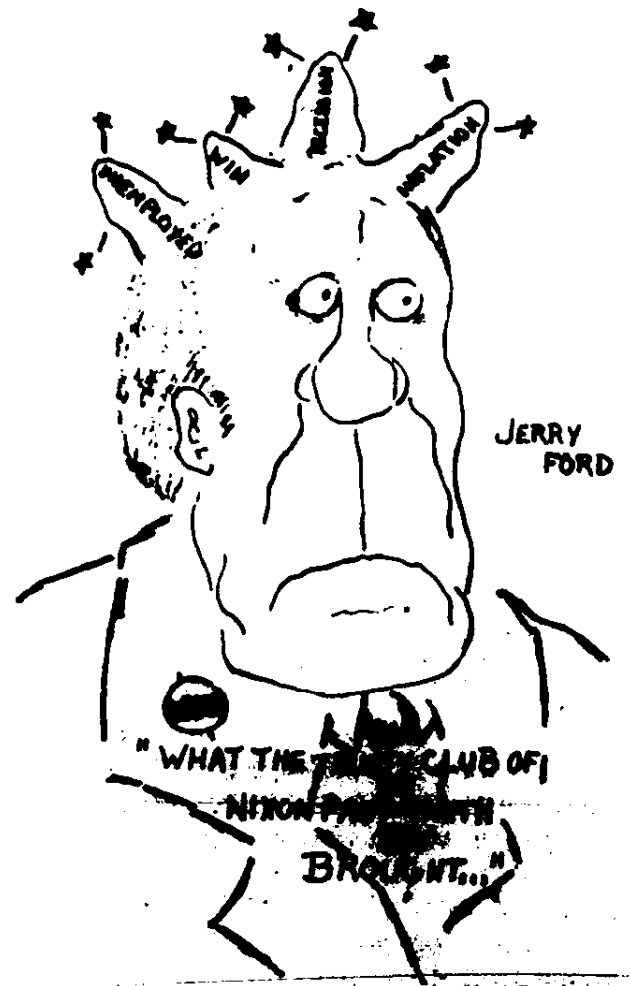
The Kappa's have sponsored five social projects which include parties and dinners.

By stressing achievement the Kappa Alpha Psi organization is both "service and social" oriented. The Kappa's have participated in the Big Brother project through VISTA. They have also participated in the fund raising project for the defense of the trial of Joanne Little.

The Kappa's are in the process of honoring their first elected court of six beautiful young ladies in which will be representing them on numerous occasions. In the near future the Kappas have a Greek dinner scheduled for the twenty-third of February and their Chartering Ceremony scheduled for March. They will also be having their first line of pledges in the spring.

The Kappas are content with their affiliation with the organization and they are looking forward to more rewarding achievements. ■

- Miss KAY - Velma Jackson
- Miss Phi Nu Pi - Anita Rene Morris
- Miss Sigma - Barbara Jackson
- Miss Gamma - Barbara Jackson
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