### Black Ink

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# What Do You Think?

It's that time of year again, when palms get sweaty, and beads of perspiration stand out on the brow f many foreheads. Emotions ranging from the sweet thrill of victory, to the bitter agony of defeat, are displayed all over campus. What is this yearly occurrence that brings men to their knees, and women to tears? The Housing Lottery. What do you think about the Housing Lottery System?

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Nadine Madden, freshman accounting major from Hamden, Conn.

"I feel that it's a rough loss for some people, but it's the only way to do it."

Robert O'Hara, freshman business major from Washington, D.C.

"I think it's very fair. Of course it doesn't seem quite fair to those who don't get back in, but this is the most equitable way to determine one's housing. I can't really perceive a fairer way."

Shawn Bethea, freshman business administration major from Rocky Mount.

"I feel that it is unfortunate for those who are closed out, but with limited housing, the lottery is the only solution."

Regina Dalton, freshman chemisty major from Stony Point, N.C.

"I feel that because of the lack of housing space, the lottery is a good way to decide who gets back in the dorm while assuring that everyone gets a fair and equal chance."

Stephanie Martin, freshman biology major from Greensboro.

"I think that preference should be given to lower classmen (freshman and sophomores). This is due to the fact that younger students would have more difficulty getting back and forth to campus and being able to afford off-campus housing."





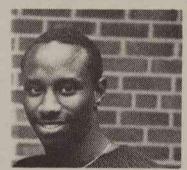






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## Writer's group offers support for creativity

#### **by Diana Lowery** Staff Writer

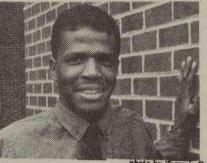
Kenny Smith, a junior, comparative literature/pre-law major from Charlotte, has coordinated a creative writing group, the Black Writer's Group.

Words like, "Detail and description are good, and characterization is good but you need to focus on this particular character and bring him to life..." are likely to be heard during the group's meeting.

"The group basically started from informal conversations...," Smith said. Most of the group's members have taken creative writing courses, however because white students constituted the majority of those courses, the eight members felt that their creativity wasn't understood.

The Black Writer's Group, which is composed of freshmen, juniors and seniors, served as a support system to encourage blacks to write. Each student was given the chance to have his work critiqued by letting members read copies of it or by reading it aloud. The students took an interest in each other's work and were willing to help each other by giving constructive criticism.

The group meets every Tuesday at 3:30 p.m. in the Carolina Student Union. Future plans for the group include discussions of issues that concern black writers, such as, the Harlem Renaissance. Later on in the semester the group was scheduled to be exposed to speakers such as Dr. Trudier Harris, a professor in the English Department, and other professors who were involved in Black Literature.



Kenneth Smith Photo by

## It's Coming Up

A meeting for blacks interested in the Undergraduate Honor Court, and the Attorney General Staff will be held in Upendo, Wed., March 5 at 5:00.

The Pogue Scholars will visit the University March 16-18 and will stay in the Carolina Inn.

Black Student Movement petitions for the offices of President, Secretary, Vice-President, and Treasurer can be picked up in the BSM office, suite A of the Carolina Union. They are due March 17 at 5:00.

Decision Days will be held at the University March 18-20. During those three days, high school seniors will have the chance to tour the University and sit in on some classes. BSM subgroups will provide entertainment, and any student interested in helping with Decision Days should contact Camille Roddy, on-campus coordinator, at 933-4296.

Phi Beta Sigma Fraternity, Inc. announces its "Raffle for Sickle Cell." Andy Park of WTVD-11 News will raffle off the prizes on Thurs., Mar. 6 at 12:15 pm in the "pit."

The Black Greek Council will sponsor an auction of fraternity and sorority members in Great Hall on Mar. 6. Immediately following will be a party sponsored by the pledge lines.

The Miles Davis Jazz Concert is Mar. 10 in Memorial Hall at 8:00.

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The Black Women's Leadership Symposium will be Mar. 25-27.

The Black Student Movement Freshman Class Committee will sponsor a talent show on March 27 at 7:00 in Great Hall. Interested people should contact Robin Calhoun at 933-3281 or Lauren Joyner at 933-1852.

Alpha Phi Alpha Fraternity, Inc. announces the Black and Gold Ball to be held in Great Hall on Sat., April 12.