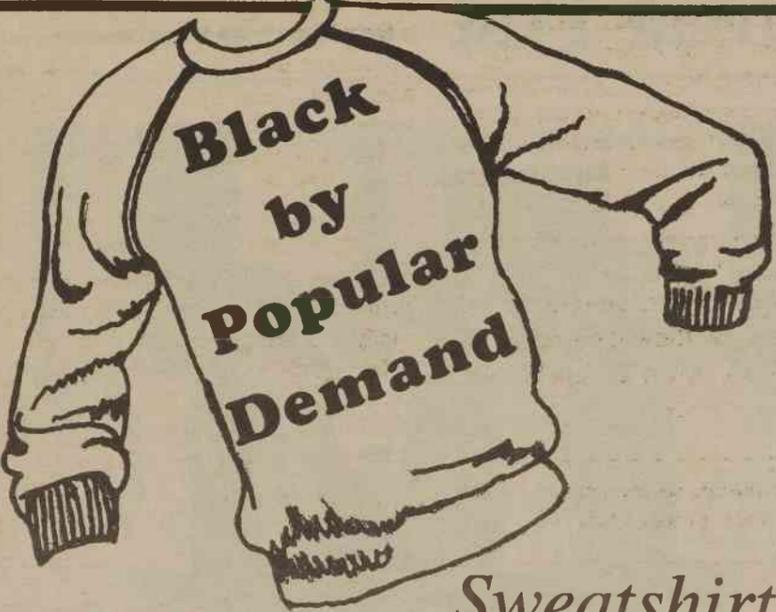


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Groove Phi Groove Gears Up

Groove Phi Groove are looking for a few good men, according to its Durham graduate chapter advisor Patrick Langston.

The Durham Graduate Chapter of Groove Phi Groove Social Fellowship, Inc. has decided to re-establish its chapter here on the University campus and needs seven men to obtain a national charter.

"We have been trying to establish a chapter here for the past year and a half," said Langston, but were unable to get recognized by the University's Pan-Hellenic Council.

Langston said that Groove Phi Groove could offer black men an alternative to the Greek fraternity system.

According to Langston, a major difference between Groove Phi Groove and the Greek fraternities is that the Grooves are diverse.

The group does not conform to the personalities of the Greek fraternities, Langston said, and concentrate more on black pride than do the Greeks.

According to Langston, Groove Phi Groove was organized amidst the Civil Rights Movement in the '60's and still holds fast to the ideals of the movement.

Langston said that they wanted to bring the chapter back to UNC because they saw a need for more black unity on campus.

The group can achieve this, he said, by following the mission set aside for the chapter, which is: "To enhance the development of our member's mind, body and spirit, in order to prepare us to effectively carry out the responsibilities required to perpetuate and provide for the progressive growth of our fellowship, while better enabling us to more effectively interrelate with society."

According to Langston, a Groove chapter had existed on campus from 1974 to 1980. The last brother, he said, graduated in 1982.

Administrative changes on the national level in the late '70's and early '80's was a major cause for the collapse of the UNC chapter and for the collapse and weakening of other chapters across the country.

Before the unsettling change in administration, Groove Phi Groove was the fastest growing black organization in the country, according to Langston.

After its formation on Oct. 12, 1962 on Morgan State University campus in Baltimore, Maryland, the membership of Groove Phi Groove surpassed the expectations of its founders, Langston said.

The group is now experiencing a flourishing new buildup and has charters on Shaw University, North Carolina Agricultural and Technical State University, Fayetteville State University, Elizabeth City State University, Barbara-Scotia College, Johnson C. Smith University and Winston-Salem State University campuses.

If established on this campus, the chapter will be the only one in the state at a predominately white university.

Several years ago, a charter at Duke communed with a Chapter from NCCU.

Nationally, the Groove brothers are now 40,000 strong. Many of these brothers recently attended the group's national meeting at Yale University in Massachusetts.

The national office is in Landover, Md.

Langston said that if they are met with opposition on the University campus from the Greek fraternities, it will not be the first time.

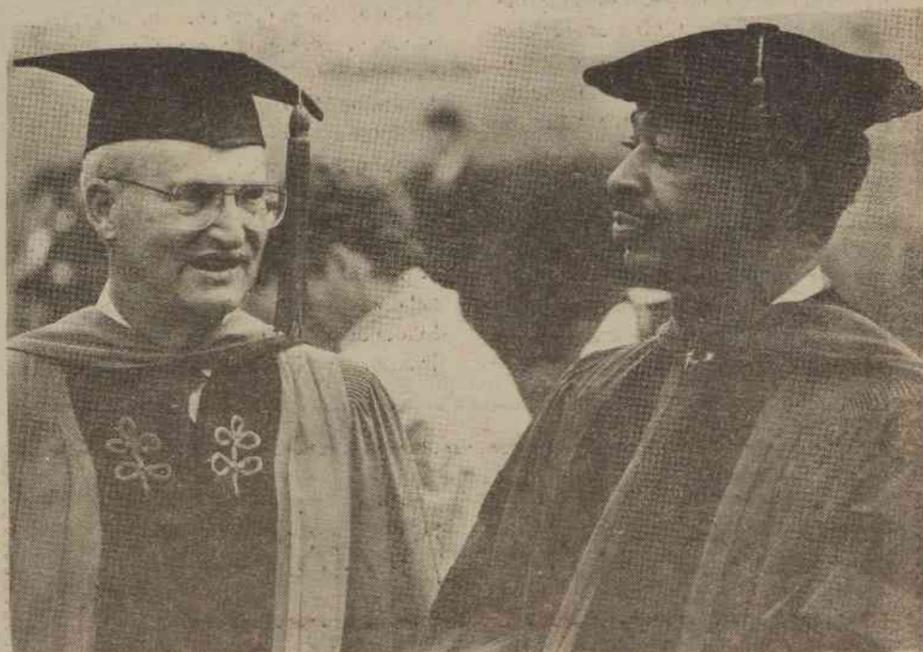
According to Langston, the group has experienced protests at other campuses from the traditional black Greek fraternities, yet managed to endure despite the conflicts.

Langston became a Groove Phi Groove brother in the Spring of 1983 at NCCU, and is presently a member of the Durham graduate chapter.

Langston said that he hopes the chapter from NCCU will be able to do a step show on the University campus before the semester ends to generate some interest in the organization.

He said that he will publicize for an interest meeting some time this month.

Distinguished Alumnus Honored



State Supreme Court Justice Henry Frye honored at University Day
(photo by Reubena Whitted)

The first black named to North Carolina's highest court received the University's Distinguished Alumnus Award Sunday, Oct. 12, as part of a convocation commemorating the University's 193rd birthday.

Henry E. Frye, associate justice of the state Supreme Court, along with four other UNC alumni, received the award at Memorial Hall as the University celebrated the laying of the cornerstone of Old East, the nation's oldest state university building.

Frye was appointed to the state Supreme Court in 1983, and was elected to an eight-year term the following year. In 1969, he

became the first black elected to the N.C. General Assembly since 1899, serving 12 years as a representative and two years as a senator.

He was also the first black to be named an assistant United States district attorney in North Carolina in 1963.

Frye earned his bachelor's degree from N.C. Agricultural and Technical State University in 1953. After graduating with honors from the UNC School of Law in 1959, he practiced in Greensboro, where he still lives.

Sheila Simmons, Co-Editor

Hope Not Destroyed with Shanties

Although the shanties have been torn down, the Anti-Apartheid Support group has not given up their efforts at encouraging the University to divest in South Africa.

Eric Walker, a member of the support group, said that the group has been very active since the shanties were removed last spring. This past summer representatives of the UNC group went to Washington, D.C. to attend a national rally and conference on Anti-Apartheid in South Africa.

This semester, the group co-sponsored a conference with the Carolina Committee on South Africa to inform students of the things going on in South Africa.

They also presented information to interested students on events in Latin America. The conference was called "Students Organizing Students", and "everyone who attended it learned a whole lot," Walker said.

The tactics being used this year are basically the same as the ones that were used last year, according to Walker. The first part of the semester the group basically concentrated on educating and informing people about Anti-Apartheid and the conflicts going on in South Africa.

After doing some general education the group began to protest and engage in civil-disobedience. They have already had a

"teach-in" in South Building this semester. At the inauguration of C.D. Spangler as president of the University of North Carolina on Polk Plaza Friday morning, October 17, the group protested the Board of Trustees' recent decision to table the issue of divestment for the need of more information.

Earlier this semester Walker performed a dramatic reading in the pit to commemorate the first anniversary of the death of Steven Biko, a prominent Black activist. The group also plans to hold other rallies and teachings in the pit.

Formed last fall semester, the group now has about 65 members with Robert Reid-Pharr as their chairman. Since the city of Chapel Hill decided to divest their holdings in South Africa following last semester's rallies, the group plans to focus more on the University, industries in North Carolina, and the state of North Carolina as a whole.

Even though the group did not accomplish all of their goals last year, they did accomplish one major goal. That was to get noticed.

This was one of the primary aims of the groups, Walker said, because "it is impossible to do anything until people notice you."

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