

## NCCU Choir To Tour Country During Spring



CHARLES GILCHRIST

"the best four ever". This year, the choir is looking forward to visiting the nation's capital, Washington, D. C. The concert, which will be performed at the Asbury United Methodist Church will be dedicated in memorial to Mark Fax. Fax, the former Dean of the School of Fine Arts at Howard University, will be remembered for the time and attention he gave to NCCU during summer music workshops and other musical activities.

Another high point of this year's Tour will be the two-day visit to Chicago. Representatives of the NCCU Alumni Chapter in Chicago said they are waiting with great anticipation for the choir's concert.

They will again join Rev. Jesse Jackson on the Operation P. U. S. H. radio program.

Central's Touring Choir is nationally acclaimed. Most of the cities they visit are those

## OSSIE DAVIS, RUBY DEE WORKS TO BE AIRED APRIL 11

Stage and screen stars Ossie Davis and Ruby Dee, the vibrant husband-and-wife team that helped to chart the current course of black and third-world theatre and film, will be the subject of the next edition of ABC News' "Americans All" series, titled "Ossie Davis and Ruby Dee," airing Friday, March 11 (10:53 - 11:00 p.m., EST), on the ABC Television Network.

The "Ossie Davis and Ruby Dee" edition of "Americans All" will focus on their contribution to black literature in American and spotlight their successes in encouraging blacks to pursue careers in the television and film industries.

The telecast was filmed in Miami at Dade County Community College and in New York at the Third World Cinema where Ossie Davis offers his acting expertise to aspiring black actors and actresses. Davis is co-founder of the Third World Cinema, where the film, "Claudine," starring Diahann Carroll and James Earl Jones, was produced.

The program features poetry readings by Ruby Dee of selections from the works of black and third-world authors.

in which they have previously performed. University officials report that the choir is asked to return year after year, because of consistently superior performances. Describing the tour's purpose as being primarily public relations for the University, Gilchrist says "We like to think that our choir represents the quality of education that takes place at NCCU."



**TO BE AT JABBERWOCK**—Members of the noted Guys and Dolls fashion group will appear at the Delta Sigma Theta Sorority's Jabberwock Queens Contest and Dance to be held at 8 p.m. Friday, March 18 in the Hillside High School auditorium. At last weekend's Guys and Dolls show in Raleigh, "D" of Durham appears to be concentrating on the latest in women's evening wear as he is ready to step out himself. (The Carolina Times photo by Blackshear)

## "Glory For Me" Tryouts Set

Open tryouts for the premiere production of "Glory For Me" will be held Friday, March 18 at 7:30 p.m., and Saturday, March 19 at 3 p.m., at Erwin Auditorium, near the intersection of Erwin Rd., and the East-West Expressway in Durham.

"Glory For Me" requires actors, singers, and gymnasts; the cast is large with 12 major roles (7 women, 5 men), 6 minor roles (2 women, 4 men) and 12 to 20 extras. The show calls for a wide range age from children to senior citizens and a racial mixture.

Experienced and inexperienced actors and technicians

are invited to tryouts - workshops in acting and training in tech areas will be a part of the rehearsal period.

"Glory For Me" is being coproduced by the City Acting Company of the Recreation Department and Durham Theatre Guild, a participating member of the Durham Arts Council.

Director of "Glory For Me" is Norman Ussey.

For more information or for directions to Erwin Auditorium, contact producers Sue McDuffie, 682-0549 or Rob Storrs, 477-0055.

## LET'S GO TO CAMP

Now is the time to start making plans for your youth's summer camp, according to Durham County's 4-H and Youth Agent, Johnnie Jones, III. Several factors should be taken into consideration before selecting a specific summer camp for your youth, he reported.

Jones urges parents to seek information to find out just how good the camp is: facilities, staffing, and programs. Secondly, consider the daily routine. A sudden change in life styles may cause some youth to feel very uncomfortable; therefore, creating a weak environment for a rewarding learning experience. Thirdly, find out the objectives of the camping program. The camp program should meet the needs and desires of your youth. Fourthly, seek information as to the qualification of persons supervising swimming and other water activities.

Jones also stresses the importance of parent, youth and staff member counseling before leaving for camp. Cost should be the last factor to consider.

## GIRL SCOUTS REUNION

Were you ever a Girl Scout?

Come to the Girl Scout Family Reunion being held from 10-6, Sat., March 12 at South Square Mall. Any and everybody who has been a Scout is invited. There will be a scrapbook to sign, 12 booths with things of interest to Scouts, a display of uniforms and books used through the years. Forty-three troops will be participating. There will be singing and dancing especially between 11:30 and 2:30. Look for it at Belk's end of the mall, celebrating 65 years of Girl Scouting in America.

## Grambling Students Play Wins Hansberry Award

WASHINGTON, D. C. — Long famous for its football players, Grambling University may some day be better known as the campus that spawned Judi Ann Mason, American playwright.

Judi Ann, a 22 year old senior in the speech and drama department at Grambling, in Louisiana, was named as the first winner of the \$2,500 Lorraine Hansberry Award for the best play on the Black Experience in America at the American College Theater Festival.

This makes her the first repeat winner in the nine year history of the American College Theater Festival. As a freshman she won the Norman Lear Award for achievement in comedy playwriting.

The Lorraine Hansberry Award, instituted this year as an annual event by McDonald's Corporation in memory of the young black writer whose "Raisin in the Sun" is an American classic, was among 10 theater arts awards announced at an ACTF press conference recently at the John F. Kennedy Center for the Performing Arts.

Judi Ann's new play, "A Star Ain't Nothin' But a Hole in Heaven," is frankly autobiographical. It chronicles the agonies of a young black girl who is breaking the bonds of the old life in the country to take advantage of new opportunities for education and per-

sonal development. It will be performed on May 31 at Washington's Back Alley Theater.

When informed of the award — \$2,000 for her and \$500 for Grambling — Judi Ann said this is the "epitome of all I've ever wished for. Lorraine Hansberry is my ideal." But it is evident that she feels almost as much excitement about May 15 at 10 a.m., when another important production will take place at Grambling. Judi Ann Mason is going to get her degree.

## BOWLING NEWS

The Hazel B. Plummer Bowling League of the Durham and Orange County Bowling Association announces the March 7 scores for the Men's and Women's Division.

Leading in High Came in the Women's Division was Delores Plummer, 201; Nancy Rowland, 197 and Nancy Pinckney, 185. High Series was led by Nancy Rowland, 503, Delores Plummer, 499 and Nancy Pinckney, 495.

In the Men's Division, leading High Game was Quinton Parker, 209, Doss Massenburg, 199 and Ralph Wiley, 196. High Series was led by Doss Massenburg, 553, John Rowland, 540 and Gus Thompson, 539.

In other bowling news as reported by Nancy Pinckney: Quinton Parker, 528 and Bill Little, 526.

## Art Groups Seeking Aid Have Until April To Apply

Non-profit organizations that need financial aid for arts programming have until April 1 to apply for grants from the N. C. Arts Council.

That is the application deadline for grants which the arts council will award at its semi-annual board meeting on April 29 and 30 at Quail Roost Conference Center in Rousemont. Projects planned for July 1 through June 30, 1978 can be considered for this financial aid.

Grants in the following four categories will be awarded:

General grants can be awarded for a variety of community arts projects, including those in architecture, arts administration, crafts, dance, drama, literary workshops and readings, music, photography, film, the public media, the visual arts, and combinations of various art forms.

Salary assistance grants help establish permanent administrative positions in community arts organizations,

providing a declining portion of the administrator's salary over a three year period.

Local government "challenge grants" are awarded to city and county governments for arts programming on condition that the money is cash-matched by newly appropriated funds from the local budget.

Grant for small presses and publications support the publication of work by talented North Carolina writers. The council prefers that grant applications be submitted in cooperation with a community arts council, if possible.

Awards to individual organizations in these four categories usually range from \$500 to \$5,000.

The arts council is the community development section of the N. C. Department of Cultural Resources.

Further information and application forms can be obtained by writing N. C. Arts Council, Department of Cultural Resources, Raleigh, 27611.

## Good Taste And Low "Tar" Winston Lights Available Soon

WINSTON-SALEM — The good taste and low "tar" of Winston Lights will soon be available in the popular 100mm length, when R. J. Reynolds Tobacco Co. introduces Winston Lights 100's March 21.

The new brand style, containing 14mg "tar" and 1.0mg nicotine, is the newest member of the Winston family, and is expected to strengthen R. J. Reynolds Tobacco Co.'s already dominant position in the rapidly growing low "tar" category.

The company, which accounts for 33.4 per cent of all cigarettes sold in America, manufactures over 40 per cent

of all low "tar" brands, those containing 15mg "tar" or less.

"It is a logical move for us to combine the taste heritage of Winston with the low "tar" and longer length more and more smokers are choosing every day," says Sid Wooten, Winston brand manager. "We are also hoping to capitalize on the success of Winston Lights, that has grown at a rate of over 60 per cent since its introduction in 1974."

Winston Light 100's will be supported by advertising in magazines, Sunday supplements, and out of home media, created by Dancer-Fitzgerald-Sample.

## CALENDAR

Monday, March 14:  
4 and 7:30 p.m. — Touch, a mime trio, will give two performances for children and adults in the Chapel Hill Public Library Meeting Room. Admission free. Additional parking at Horace Williams House, Rosemary St., after 6 p.m. at UN C lot, Park Place and Boundary St. Everyone is welcome

Sunday, March 13:  
6:00 p.m. — The Women's Day Committee of St. Mark AME Zion Church will present the NCCU Campus Community Choir in concert. The public is cordially invited to attend.

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