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Castle Heights: A Community Profile

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 Staff Reporter
 The Castle Height Community is the first in a series of community profiles. Castle Heights is a fairly large community in the eastern part of the city, and can be reached by access of Carver Road or Bowen Boulevard.

Castle Heights is one of the oldest communities in that area. The first houses were built in 1958 and people began moving into the neighbor-

hood in March of 1959. "When we first moved in, there were about eight houses built," said Mr. James B. Belton one of the first families to move into Castle Heights. "Additional houses were built but the roads weren't paved."

Mr. Belton moved his family into the neighborhood in 1959 and still resides in the same house.

"A lot of people started moving in back then when they started some redeve-

lopment on Third Street," Belton said. "However, all of the people that moved out here weren't from the redevelopment."

Belton said that he thinks the community has grown and has changed over the years.

"When we first moved out here there weren't many people but now the

he said. "Even though the neighborhood has grown we still have good people and good neighbors."

Smith Reynolds Airport runways are directly behind this neighborhood and you can see and hear the airplanes taking off.

"When we first moved out here we (the neighborhood) used to complain about the noise waking up babies," Belton said. "After a while we got used to it."

Belton said that there hasn't been too much trouble in the 19 years he has lived in the neighborhood.

"The few people that



A view of the Castle Heights Community on Teresa Avenue, one of the main streets in the community.

moved in and caused trouble have moved out," Belton said.

The Castle Heights community has worked to keep their neighborhood one big happy family.

"At a time they wanted to build a Truck Stop

practically in our backyard but the community got up a petition and had it stopped," Belton said.

"Now there's a church where they wanted to put the truck stop."

The Castle Height Community does have easy access to numerous service stations, convenience stores and grocery stores which are located in the vicinity of the community.

McKnight Given Birthday Dinner

On Sunday, March 12, Mr. Robert L. McKnight celebrated his 86th birthday. His family had invited several friends to dinner at 2:00 p.m. There were some who came early enough for good conversation and fellowship while the wife, daughters and other family members complete the arrangements. Guests were then invited to form a line and serve themselves from the table laden with various foods; Turkey, fried chicken, ham, macaroni, potato salad and a beautiful birthday cake made and decorated by Mrs. Mae Belle Eccles, a niece. Later, the guests witnessed the opening of gifts, which were many and varied. The children who couldn't be present, were presented by cards containing checks or by telephone calls.

Children present were: Daughters - Imogene Wyatt, Thomasine Johnson, Millison McCurry of Los Angeles, Calif.; Son-roland O. McKnight; Granddaughters-Debra McKnight, Ericka Johnson; Grandsons-Brian Wyatt, Derek Wyatt, Eric Johnson, William McKnight Jr., from Los Angeles, California; other relatives- La Vonneta Burgess, Katonya Eccles, Mr. & Mrs. Gilliard Carter, Barbara Ann Carter, Anthony Carter and Cynthia

Wyatt;

Friends- Rev. & Mrs. W.R. Crawford and Sharon, Rev. J.T. Jones, pastor of Saints Home United Methodist Church, Mr. & Mrs. Leroy Council, Miss Clotel Nesmith, Mr. and Mrs. Cardel Douthit, Georgianna Austin, Mrs. Annie Setzer of Mt. Airy, Mrs. Irene Williams of Mt. Airy, Mrs. Essolene Hailstock, Mrs. Ann H. Bynum, Mrs. Theresa Battle of Cincinnati, Ohio, Mr. and Mrs. Edward Lewis, Earl Setzer, Romie Avery, Richard Smith, Gregory Richardson and Gary Rainey.

Alumni Dinner

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She headed one of the nation's largest volunteer organizations of black women as president of LINKS.

Dr. Edmonds holds a bachelor's degree from Morgan State College and the master's and Ph.D. degree from Ohio State University.

Ray Greene, named last month as the university's head football coach, was a star athlete at the University of Akron and has served as an assistant coach at the University of Miami (Florida, Iowa State University, and Michigan State University, as well as with the Jacksonville Sharks of the World Football League.

He came to NCCU from a post as offensive coordinator and quarterback-receiver coach at Michigan State University.

Sweet Honey In The Rock To Appear At RCC Mar 17

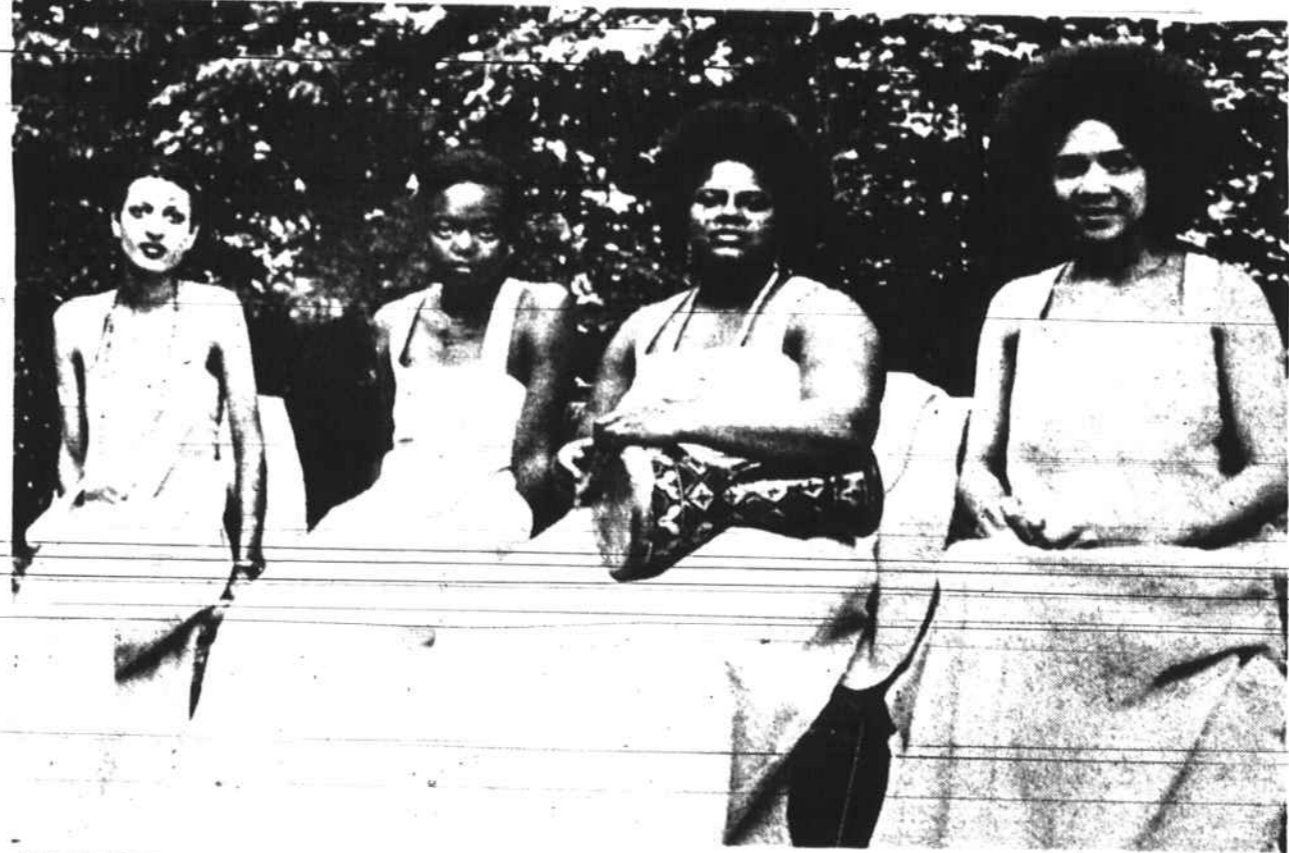
"Sweet Honey in the Rock," a quartet of black women who sing of the black American experience, will be in concert at 7:30 p.m. Friday (March 17) in Whitcomb Student Center on the campus of Rockingham Community College.

The group, organized in 1974, by Ms. Bernice Reagon, uses traditional black melodic and harmonic styles to create its music, generally performed a capella with only an occasional use of music instruments.

Its extensive repertoire flows from the group's experience as black women and includes children's game songs, work songs, blues selections, prison songs, religious material and freedom songs.

Ms. Reagon, daughter of an Albany, Ga., Baptist minister and folklorist of the Smithsonian Institution's Festiva of American Folklife, writes many of the songs the group performs.

She got her start in music while singing and



"SWEET HONEY IN THE ROCK, Evie Harris, Yasmeen Williams, Bernice Reagon and Pat Johnson.

leading songs in her father's church when she was growing up. As a veteran of the Civil Rights movement of the '60s, she attributes that movement with bringing larger human issues to the forefront, such as humanness, the quality of life, starvation and jobs as well as international issues.

Ms. Reagon draws from the world around her and the struggles mankind is

involved in when she writes her music. Other members of the group, Yasmeen Williams, Evie Harris and Pat Johnson, also write music the group performs and adapt traditional music for the

group's style. Rockingham Community College is located six miles west of Reidsville (N.C.) on N.C. 65.

Artichokes have a nutty flavor and cause any food or drink taken afterwards to taste sweet.

Howard Alumni Presents Concert

The Howard University Alumni Club of Winston-Salem presents the Howard University Chorale, Friday, March 24, 1978, 7:30 P.M. at First Baptist Church, 700 Highland Avenue. Attendance is open to the public, no admission charged.

The Chorale is composed of approximately 120 students and has traveled internationally. Recent achievements include a tour of the United States and the Virgin Islands, an appearance with the National Symphony of Washington, D.C., a performance with the Symphony of the New World in Carnegie Hall, and a national telecast with the Alvin Ailey Dance Theatre for the Inaugural Gala of President Jimmy Carter. The Chorale is under the conduction of J. Weldon Norris.

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