

# What's happening!

By Bob Johnson

**FASHION FANTASY...**For all of you fashion conscious people, the dream world of clothing will be shown in Oven's Auditorium, Sunday Oct. 30, at 6 p.m.

This world of creative dress is sponsored by the ladies of the Delta Zeta Chapter - Zeta Phi Beta Sorority.

**THE EBONY FASHION FAIR** leaders have chosen "THE BODY ATTITUDE" as the theme for this year's extravaganza, and they are equipped with an array of garments that are guaranteed to be eye popping. Fashion is realizing art in living form, and just as original paintings by great artists are looked upon with awe by the knowledgeable, so will the imaginative designs paraded by beautiful women and handsome men be.

Madie Simpson, Philistine Dunlap, Eloise Morton, Elizabeth Hutchison, Ella Asbury, Jane Reid, Joyce Ballard, Eddieola Williams, Carrie Evans, Sarah Schofield, and Mary Streater are the ladies responsible for this flowering.

**RECEPTION FUN...**It is said that union does everything when it is perfect. It satisfies desires, simplifies needs, forsee the wishes and becomes a constant fortune. Somewhere in the minds of WILMA FIRMS AND TIMOTHY KINARD this thought had to lurk as they became united last Saturday in holy matrimony.

To add a little spice to the wedding, a reception was held for the couple at the home of Carolyn Mayes 1701 West Boulevard.

Many friends and relatives gathered to share in this time of happiness, which was filled with food, drink and laughter. Among them were Eleanor Firms, Marie Mayes, Vikki Stafford, Carolyn Stafford, Joe Kinard, Christine Osborne, Nat Sowell, Kenneth Wentz, Rochelle Wallace, Vickie Woods, Jeannette Simpson, Rose Simpson, Shirley Wentz, Margie Williams, Sheila Wallace, Lawrence Mayes, Pam Favors, Carolyn Guy, William Johnson, Sandra Sherrill, Earlene Mayes, Vernal Osborne, Eilene Mayes and Geraldine Wallace.

**GREEK LETTER JAM...**Happiness is crossing the burning sands into Greek lands, and the new brothers of the ZETA DELTA Chapter of the KAPPA ALPHA PSI, FRATERNITY on the campus of the University of North Carolina at Charlotte, celebrated their happiness in grand style. The celebrating was done with the ladies of Delta Sigma Theta Sorority and the rest of the campus last weekend.

Some of the guest participating in this fun-filled affair were Ronald Swann, Don Pearce, Mamie Webb, Shire Goddett, Ron Roseboro, Mike Connors, Chad Kinch, Kevin King, Michael Farrar, Devera Pearson, Regina Irby, Catherine Wingate, Kenny Simmons, Debbie Jisher, Lew Massey, Kathy Crosby, Juarey Moten, Al Pearce, Cynthia Bell, Thurgood Flowers, Rodney Page, Bill Hart, David Crawford, Robert Amos, Jerry Hudson, Dennis Tate, Wyatt Grove, Clint Horten, Harold Seegars, Vanessa Copeland, Dorothy Burgess and Les Brown.

**CLASS FUNCTION...**Never one thing and seldom one person can make for a success. It takes a number of them merging into one perfect whole, and that is exactly how WEST CHARLOTTE CLASS OF 1962 made their venture last Sunday successful.

Led by HARRIET LOVE this enterprising class sponsored a Tea at the Midway Lounge on Statesville Avenue, which lasted from 2 til 10 with a steady flow of guests.

Even though the small cozy establishment was very crowded people still remained because of the congeniality produced by the members of the class.

The class members responsible for such a large turn out were Earl Adams, Margie Boyton, James Butler, Eutrilla Byers Ratchford, Barbara Floyd, Idella Freeman Swift, Patricia Foster, Harriett Love, John Granger, Betty Graham, Bill Haygood, Ralph Johnson, John Love, T.C. Feaster, William Manning, Robert Moore, Dianne Simmons Phifer, Claude Stephen son, Pete Williams and Evelyn Cureton Reid the young lady that sold the most tickets.

**NIGHT SPOTS...**Ambiance and impeccability enshrouds you upon entering Charlotte's newest night spot, THE GALLERY, on East Morehead Street. If that's not enough, the musical sounds of Grady Siegle and Friends will caress and titillate your entertainment needs.

Last weekend the talents of singer Donald Daviss were displayed to the delights of Brenda Lee, Bonnie Phillips and many other satisfied GALLERY guests.

Speaking of new, the building on Beatties Ford Road that houses the VIP CLUB is not, but the proprietor - long time friend Darrell Taylor is, and he's slowly bringing the place around to be a favorite night spot.



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## Eco Volunteer

### Busy Ruth Smith Finds Time To Invest In Helping Others

By Jeri Harvey  
Post Staff Writer

Eighteen year old Ruth Smith, a freshman at the University of North Carolina - Charlotte (UNC-C) is a busy young woman involved in school work, activities at Mt. Carmel Baptist Church, is a member of the popular Steel Drum Band, has a part-time job with a local fast food restaurant, a busy social life, and still finds time to invest in helping others.

As a volunteer with ECO (Ex-Convicts Organization), Ruth helps the small three person staff on a regular basis, doing whatever she is needed for. The organization works to assist the offender who has served his prison sentence and is attempting to re-enter society as a productive, self-sufficient citizen. They assist in many ways, i.e.: job finding, housing, counseling on personal, financial or other matters, and in general, they help to ease the transition an ex-offender must make on re-entry to the "free world."

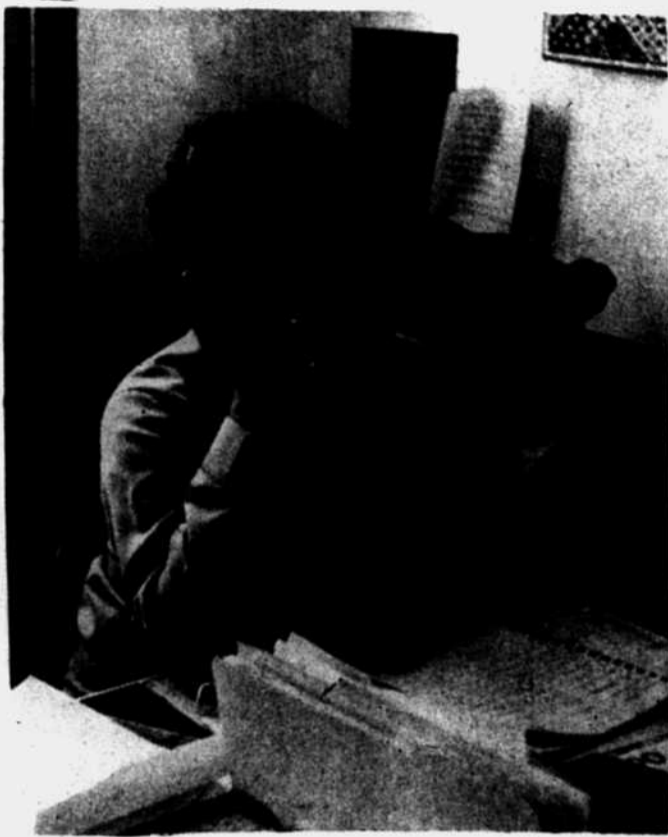
Ms. Smith, the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Nathaniel B. Smith, said she became involved with ECO as a result of a speech made at UNC-C by Beth Chipley, director of the Voluntary Action Center (VAC). "Beth spoke before one of my classes," Ruth said, "and I became interested. I chose ECO because I am a Criminal Justice Major and the experiences I gain here will be helpful in my career."

She went on to add, "I intend to work with juveniles when I finish school and many of the insights I'm gaining here will be helpful in that area."

She described ECO as a well organized operation that she feels is doing "a tremendous job" for ex-offenders and the community.

Her high opinion of ECO is matched by the praise she and other volunteers receive from the ECO staff. Ms. Louvenia Anderson, office manager and counselor said, "ECO depends on volunteers. Without them we could never hope to reach the number of people we do. They render an invaluable service and we couldn't do without them."

Ms. Anderson continued, "It is interesting to note we are getting more and more young volunteers. Currently we have four young people from



EIGHTEEN YEAR OLD RUTH SMITH ...Works to assist offenders

UNC-C, two from Central Piedmont Community College and one from South Mecklenburg High. Some are receiving academic credit for their work but some, like Ruth, are doing it simply out of concern for others."

Mrs. Anderson feels the young volunteer can often relate to clients better than older ones.

Volunteering is no new thing. Down through the ages man has helped his fellow without pay when the need arose. Old fashioned barn-raising, tending sick neighbors, helping out at harvest time - these are all forms of volunteering - and hardly a church, school or club could survive without volunteer labor and brainpower.

If you're interested in giving an hour, or many hours, call Beth Chipley at 372-7170 and she'll give you an appointment to come in and talk a while about yourself and what you think you might want to try. Then she'll put you in touch with the Volunteer Supervisor at the agency you choose. Or you may go directly to the agency yourself and offer your services if you're already sure of what you wish to do.

### Local Sewing Enthusiasts

#### Compete In Marathon Sew-Off

Area residents are among the 400 chosen to compete in a marathon eight-hour sew-off, a highlight of THE GREAT-EST SEW ON EARTH, Friday, Saturday and Sunday, October 28 - 30 at the Georgia World Congress Center.

The local talented contestants - some are standbys - are: Gloria DeVonne Hoover, 3321 Dawnshire Ave.; Earleen Kiker, 1252 Starwood Ave.; and Carletta Moore, Rt. 7 Box 842-F.

They'll compete for more than \$20,000 in prizes, including a nine-day, expense-paid tour for two to Las Vegas, Hollywood and San Francisco via Delta Airlines, and Singer Athena 2000 Electronic Sewing Machines, at the Southern

Premiere of the nation's largest home sewing show and fabric fair. The awards will be made at a Gala Presentation ceremony, Sunday, October 30.

THE GREATEST SEW features fashion shows that preview the latest in fabrics and patterns, sewing tips for experts in the fashion world, continuous stage shows, hourly door prizes and samples, and four round-the-clock seminars, providing more than two dozen demonstrations on the latest sewing subjects.

Two special categories have been designated for additional prizes. The Embroidery Council of America will present a \$250 check for the best use of Schiffl embroidered fabrics, laces or eyelets.

### Looking Super Plus

If you aim to look super but you don't have a big budget, cast an eye on this sportive gaucho pant with a belted tunic paired with a print blouse. Made of a durable fabric called SuperSuede Plus, it will be a stylish hit on any occasion. Or choose this same Fortrel/Arnel blend fabric with the suede-like touch in a belted shirt-jacket and an easy skirt. In camel or ginger. Both outfits are by Donnkenny and are machine washable. A real plus.

## Durham College Offers Unique Service

Durham—Durham College in Durham, North Carolina offers a unique service to its students to help them find employment in their fields of study. The college helps place students in job training during the school year and upon graduation. James L. Self, director of the Office of Career Planning, Cooperative Education and Placement, aids students of the junior college in all aspects of their search for educational and career development.

Job placement is a function of the Placement and Cooperative Education programs. Self, director of these programs for the past seven months, is presently involved in developing new projects within each of the areas.

Cooperative Education receives the main emphasis dur-

ing the early part of the fall term. This service finds jobs for students in area businesses and government offices. "A Week doesn't go by," said Self, "that I don't get a call from one or two companies asking for part time help." The jobs help the students with expenses and also gives them some experience in the work force.

Aside from his efforts to obtain part time work for Durham College students while in school, the Placement Service assists students with finding permanent employment upon graduation. Sophomores begin registering with the placement office in the early fall and Self matches these students with the prospective employers who contact him each year. Arrangements are also made for stu-

dent interviews with personnel officers of area businesses.

One problem Self encounters in placement service is the failure of the students to register with him early in their sophomore year. "I can't give an interviewer information on a student if I don't have that student in my files," he said.

Self sees certain trends occurring in the employment field for business college graduates. At the present time, jobs are tight in most of the business fields with the exception of Secretarial Science. However, Self predicts better opportunities for other major fields such as Accounting, Business Administration, Computer programming, and Court Reporting in the near future.

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