

# 'Sweet' Vocalists to Visit UNC

Sweet Honey in the Rock, a Grammy-winning a cappella group, perform tonight at Memorial Hall.

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Grammy award-winning Sweet Honey in the Rock, a female a cappella group, will bring its sound back to Chapel Hill tonight in Memorial Hall.

Sonia Pratap, a member of the Carolina Union Student Interests Committee, said she helped bring Sweet Honey back to UNC.

"They came here two or three years ago, and they have a unique sound," she said.

Sweet Honey's concert is one in a series of presentations that celebrate Black History Month at UNC.

Dr. Bernice Johnson Reagon, of Washington, D.C., founded the group in 1973.

Sweet Honey takes its name from a traditional fable about a land so rich that even a rock would flow with honey when broken.

This year, it celebrates 25 years of music with a new CD, 25. Tonight, Sweet Honey will perform songs from its latest release.

For the past quarter-century, the group has enlivened the music scene with songs drawing on a varied mix of black musical styles that promote issues of social conscience.

Pratap described the a cappella music as a mix of spirituals and rhythm and blues. Jazz and pop music also comprise

Sweet Honey in the Rock

Tonight 8 p.m.  
Memorial Auditorium  
\$13 for students  
\$20 for general public

the group's influences, forming a diverse and distinct sound.

Pratap cited the group's local popularity as one of the reasons for its return. "They have a pretty good following in Chapel Hill," she said.

Sonny Browne, a senior from Kelford, said he would be one of the fans in the crowd tonight. He said he learned of the group at a concert he attended over Winter Break.

"They were outstanding. Their voices were so powerful," he said.

Browne's opinion is confirmed by Sweet Honey's 1988 Grammy for Best Traditional Folk Recording for their rendition of Lead Belly's "Grey Goose."

Both Pratap and Browne said they would not miss tonight's show.

Pratap said, "I'm very excited about it."

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## ROADSIDE ROSES



Marshall Washburne, right, of Chapel Hill sells roses on the side of U.S. 15-501 on Saturday afternoon for those in need of a romantic gift. Many people still feel traditional long-stemmed red roses are the safest bet for that special someone on Valentine's Day.

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# Rookie Shines in Directorial Debut

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Some things about Lab! Theatre's production of Harold Pinter's "Betrayal" are not very surprising.

For instance, three well-established campus actors put on a great show.

What might be surprising is Charlie Todd's success in his first time in the director's chair.

The play revolves around a seven-year affair between Emma and her husband's best friend, Jerry.

Pinter uses one of his trademark dramatic techniques, reversed temporal movement, to make the tragic destruction of people's lives even more bitter.

Chad Idol portrays Robert, the cuckolded publisher. Idol plays on Robert's increasingly abusive relationship with his wife. The implication is that long after love is gone, the desire to do your

THEATER REVIEW

"Betrayal"  
Lab! Theatre



spouse one better remains. We watch as Robert's initial pain of learning of the affair gnaws on his pride for years. Four years after learning about the affair, Robert and Jerry finally discuss it.

Playing Robert's best friend, Jerry, Joey Riddle explores the dual nature of Jerry's affair with Emma: the malice and the love. He obviously enjoys the cloak-and-dagger secrecy of an affair with his best friend's wife. He also enjoys gloating about it while lunching with Robert.

Emma's motivation for the affair remains less clear in this production. At times Emma, played by Michelle Ries, acts like the affair is simply a diversion - something to do in the afternoons. At other times, she seems devoted to Jerry in a way she is not devoted to Robert.

It takes an exceptional director and talented cast to give a complex play like "Betrayal" its full power. With these key ingredients, this production delivers a stunningly honest interpretation of Pinter's play.

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## KINNAIRD

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is another of Kinnaird's concerns. Kinnaird cited many problems caused by rapid development, including sedimentation and poor air quality.

Kinnaird said the state must find the common ground between development and environmental protection.

"We need to sit down and rethink these issues," Kinnaird said. "We can find a sustainable balance providing adequate jobs for citizens as well as maintaining the quality of life."

In the past, she has championed a diverse range of legislation from satellite voting sites on college campuses to pet neutering to regulating hog farming. Many of these bills eventually passed, but some required help from the Republican-controlled House.

"I was able to work with the House to

make sure some of these bills got passed," Kinnaird said.

Kinnaird credits such bipartisan cooperation for getting bills through in the past and is looking for repeat cooperation in the current session, where the Democrats control both chambers.

And senators from both parties are looking forward to working with Kinnaird in her new position.

Sen. John Garwood, R-Alexander, served with Kinnaird on the Senate Agriculture Committee last session. He said that while he respected the senator and her views, their philosophies were not the same.

"She doesn't pull up at the same point I do," Garwood said. "I find her sometimes extremely interested in one point of view at the expense of all considerations. She just has a liberal philosophy."

Despite their different viewpoints, Garwood said he found Kinnaird easy to work with and welcomed her strong

stance on environmental issues.

Sen. Austin Allran, R-Catawba, said he admired Kinnaird for sticking to her principles, even when they strayed from the majority. "She stands up for what she believes in, and that's what everyone should do," Allran said.

Sen. Brad Miller, D-Wake, said the chairmanship was an important job because of the high volume of legislation which goes through the committee.

"Each year about one quarter to one third of the General Assembly's bills come through the State and Local Government Committee," Miller said.

Kinnaird said she was ready for the challenge and planned to use her new position to serve her constituents.

She said, "I hope to have close relations with local government and to pass legislation they want."

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## PERMIT

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staff stated that developments already approved through a Master Plan, the rough sketch of a development, would not be affected by any new requirement.

Also before the council and the public tonight is a proposal to limit the initial paving of approved parking areas.

Carpowski petitioned the council in September to make it required for only a portion of the approved parking of a development to be paved initially.

If the proposal is adopted, a certain

percentage of parking would be paved at first, and the developer would have to demonstrate that more parking spaces were needed before paving the remaining area.

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## REFERENDUM

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