News Notes

BSM has radio spot

The Black Student Movement has a radio spot airing four times a week on the campus radio station, VVXYC. "BSM Spotlight" airs 12:40 p.m. and 7:40 p.m. each Wednesday and Friday for an average three minute radio spot.

The spotlights contain activities that relate to the Chapel Hill/Carrboro and University black and minority communities.

The BSM's public service announcements begin in early September. BSM Chairperson Mark Canady delivers the announcements.

WXYC is located at 89.3 on the FM radio dial.

Former chairperson editor at paper

A former chairperson of the Black Student Movement at the University of North Carolina at Chapel Hill has been named managing editor of the Winston-Salem Chronicle newspaper.

Allen H. Johnson, III, who is from Greensboro, is also a former Black Ink editor. He was a cultural coordinator for the Curriculum in African and Afro-American studies. Also, he taught communications courses at North Carolina Central University for a year.

In 1978, Johnson received his B.A. degree in English and in 1980 he received his M.A. degree in journalism from UNC-CH.

Applications available for RA jobs

Applications for resident assistant positions are now available at the Department of Housing or at campus dormitories. A panel discussion concerning minority status in resident assistant jobs will be held in Morrison Residence Hall, Dec. 2.

For more information about the RA applications and the panel discussion, contact either Teresa Blossom, Beverly Matthews, or Pauline McNeill.

Coming at you!

Majorette Ophelia Davis performs at halftime at UNC Clemson game. Davis is a Junior Journalism Major from Salisbury and contributing reporter for Black Ink

Stores' security uncertain

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The security of University Student Stores across campus has been questioned recently because of a theft, but the stores security has been a constant problem.

The most recent theft occurred on Oct. 2, when about \$1,700 was stolen from the Hinton-James Dormitory Snack Bar after closing hours. Evidence showed that entry had been gained through an outside window and the money was removed from a small combination safe inside the snack bar.

Money was also stolen from the Circus Room snack bar on April 29.

At the Circus Room, located near Cobb Dormitory, there were no signs of forced entry, but evidence shows that the thief or thieves escaped through a window after opening the safe with the combination. The money, \$800, was found in bushes near the Circus Room by students who happened to be outside at the time. Along with the money was the combination.

Police said the two cases are very similar, but they don't feel the crimes were committed by the same party. The University police declined to comment on the Hinton-James case since it is still under investigation. A suspect has been arrested.

On Nov. 24, 1979, the Scuttlebutt snack bar was victimized. Broken door glass and stolen oatmeal cookies characterized the assault.

Joe Smith, manager of the snack bars on campus, said that security is currently being increased

"In the past we've had windows to be pried open but no burglaries occurred," Smith said.

The snack bars are operated predominately by students who work part-time, usually fifteen hours a week. Mr. Smith said most of the students knew the combinations to the safes.

Smith said, "If an employee was going to take the money, he would get it right out of the cash register." Since the students work only part-time, the student stores don't see it necessary to check into their employee's pasts, he said.

Mily Dover, a junior who lives in Cobb, said she feels there is enough security. Dover, who began working at the Circus Room this semester, said, "All the employees here know the combination to the safe." She added that the supervisors don't pressure the employees much.

However, the Circus Room may be quite inviting to a thief. It is located on the opposite side of the Office of Undergraduate Admissions. The windows do not feature any type of metal screens and one set of double-doors has glass panes.

Denise Henkel, a junior who has been working there approximately a year, agrees with Dover that there is enough security. However, sometimes she worries, she said. "Sometimes I think about it. Whenever it's closed, there's enough security," Henkel added.

Hinton-James has small metal screens over the outside windows and there is a gate with a pad lock on the inside, but the safes in the stores aren't bolted to the floors.

"We're correcting all that now. Metal screens will be placed over all the windows around the snack bars," said Smith.

"It is going to cost approximately \$100 to screen each window, and at James that's about nine windows alone," he said. "It's an expensive preventive measure."

Voter awareness drive starts

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Voting: Use it or lose it.

This is one of many slogans being used to publicize the Voter Education Drive being sponsored by the newly formed Black Student Movement Political Committee. The drive, to be held in early December is designed to encourage students to get involved in the voting process by attracting them to the polls with issues of concern and interest.

More importantly, the drive seeks to educate the voter with facts on the Voting Rights Act.

According to preliminary plans, the drive will ask voters questions pertaining to Greek letter organizations. Lauren Lewis, a senior RTVMP major, suggested the use of the Greeks as a turnout incentive. She said, "I think this will help us as well as the other organizations because they will benefit from a survey which tells them how the populace actually feels." The political committee will be gaining important information on the attitudes of BSM members towards voting and its voting strength. David Brown, president of the Black Greek Council, said council members he talked to were generally optimistic about the poll.

The other aspect of the voting will concern

the Voting Rights Act, which, if discontinued by Congress, is due to expire after Aug. 6, 1982. Balletors will survey the voters' knowledge of the act by asking questions like: Did you know the amendment which bans discrimination in voting nationwide may soon expire? Thus, the voters general knowledge will be increased simply by participating in the voting.

The political committee feels voter awareness about certain aspects of the Voting Rights Act must be increased. For instance, Section Four of the Act bans literacy tests. Section 5 requires preclearance of changes in voting or election procedures for certain districts. It calls for assistance in other languages to voters who are not fluent in English.

Termed the most important civil rights law ever passed, the Voting Rights Act protects not only the rights of blacks, but also those of Mexican-Americans and other language minority citizens.

Wende Watson, chairperson of the committee, said voter turnout at the Miss BSM balloting Nov. 1, was about one-third the current membership. The drive will hopefully increase membership as well as stress the importance of voting. The turnout goal is to equal the membership, Watson said.

Black Ink

has openings for reporters, editors, and photographers. Journalism majors are encouraged to apply. For more information contact Lawrence Turner and attend a weekly lnk meeting 6:00 p.m., Mondays in Upendo Lounge.