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(court records, voting record of politicians, etc.) It varies every day," she says. "You have sort of routine times, but not routine schedules," adds Ms. Knight.

The satisfaction that Ms. Knight derives from writing a story that people can benefit from is what keeps her going. "I get the most personal satisfaction when I work on a story that's hard to get and I know it will be well-received. It's very fulfilling when I finally see the story in print," she says.

Ms. Knight says that major newspapers such as the Washington Post, New York Times and L.A. Times are always looking for people with the skills to become a good writer. "I think there is a need for blacks to be involved in the predominantly white press," she says. "We (blacks) have discovered journalism at a late date and that accounts for the underrepresentation of blacks in the field," she adds "there is a great need for blacks in the news media."

The News Argus asked Ms. Knight if she felt that any tokenism is involved in the hiring practices of newspapers. She responded by saying, "There are blacks that are as qualified or better qualified than some white reporters. I can't speak for other papers," she continued, "but if you don't have the skills you are going out the door. At the Washington Post there is a six month probationary period for all reporters. If you develop during that time you're over the hump. After that all you have to do is consistently produce," she says.

"I encourage interested young blacks to explore the field of journalism," says Ms. Knight. "You're not going to get rich by being a journalist, but I think you will be able to live comfortably if you're good at what you do." Ms. Knight says that young blacks need to start early to develop their skills. "You should definitely work for the college newspaper," she says. "When you get some experience, then you should apply for internships. You have to apply very early because there is a lot of competition for internships."

Newlywed Workshop At Library

Consumer Credit Counseling Service in conjunction with the Business and Science Department of the Public Library is sponsoring a Premarital and Newlywed Financial Workshop. It will be held Monday, May 23, 7:00-9:00 p.m. in the main branch of the Forsyth County Public Library on 5th St.

Jodi Puckett, an agent with State Farm Insurance will speak on insurance needed when beginning a marriage. Anita Kimber, with First Union National Bank will offer information concerning joint accounts, credit, IRAs, and various topics concerning banking. Also, Zorrest Pennell with Consumer Credit Counseling Service will speak on topics such as money management, budgeting, goals, housing, and credit.

Pinning Ceremony Set For May 14

The Pinning Ceremony for nursing and medical technology graduates will be held, Saturday, May 14 at 4 p.m. in the Kenneth R. Williams Auditorium. Dr. Raymond Dawson, vice president for academic affairs of UNC - General Administration, will be the keynote speaker.

During the program, the new Nursing Building will be dedicated. The ribbon-cutting and tour of the building - to be named in honor of Dr. Francis L. Atkins, the University's fourth chief administrator, will follow the Pinning Ceremony/Dedication.

WSSU To Honor Retirees

Five WSSU staff members will be honored during the Annual Retirement Banquet May 11. The program will be held at 8 p.m. in the Kennedy Dining Hall.

The guests of honor - Mrs. Daisy Belle Ford, Mr. Arcenure Griffin, Mrs. Janie Hosch, Mr. Samuel McFadden and Mr. William Shipp, Jr. - will receive special tributes and gifts of appreciation. Persons who have served the state of North Carolina for 5, 10, 15, 20, 25 and 30 years will also be honored at the banquet.

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