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FUN AND GAMES: As Tonya Dumas hams it up for the camera, female basketball players Barbara Cannon, Glenda King, and Anita Wallace (top row l-r) appear totally consumed in the action on the court.

Duke rally demands divestment in Africa

By S.J. Mercer

About 200 students, faculty members and children gathered at a demonstration Friday, Feb. 21, to protest Duke University's investments in business's associated with South Africa.

The Duke South Africa Coalition, sponsor of the demonstration, was hoping that Duke's administration and Board of Trustees would embrace the ideal of freedom for all South Africans, regardless of race, and act decisively to break Duke's economic ties with South Africa, as one step toward the political and economic isolation of Apartheid.

The rally, held on Duke's west campus quad, featured such native South African speakers—Desire Volkwijn, member of the Durham Committee for Peace with Justice in South Africa; Rev. Kay-Robert Volkwijn, a worker with Orange Presbytery; Rev. Motlalepula Chabaku, former director of the Women's League of the African National Congress and founding member of the now banned Christian Institute of South Africa; Kenneth Fassie, a student activist in the Soweto uprisings in 1976, now a North Carolina Central University music major.

According to the Durham Morning Herald, the university has divested \$32.4 million of its holdings in South Africa since July 1985. Duke's holdings are now confined to stocks in seven major American companies that have agreed to comply with the Sullivan Principles,

which sets guidelines on equality in salaries, hiring and a number of working conditions.

This however, was not enough for the students or the speakers participating in the rally.

Fassie referred to constructive engagement as "de-structive engagement," referring to investments in South Africa.

Chabaku asked students to continue their influence by writing a letter to the president of Duke University urging divestment. Challenging students, she said, "What are you going to do?! If you're serious yourself, find out where your tuition is going!"

She then warned, "When the revolution is over, we will remember," a reminder of the U.S. dependency for minerals found in South Africa.

Chabaku, living in exile in North Carolina, also expressed her respect for students, crediting them with revolutionizing the churches, postponing nuclear war, and implementing social change through protest and unity.

During the rally there was entertainment provided by Paul Jeffries, renowned jazz musician and Director of Jazz Studies at Duke University, accompanied by four of his students; Cindy Jones, a Trinity senior and representative of the Modern Black Mass Choir, Duke University.

The crowd held hands for a moment of silent prayer before the question and answer period, which concluded the rally.

NCCU Trustees adopt foreign divestment policy

By Rhonda McLaurin
with additional reports
by the Durham Morning Herald

N.C. Central University's Board of Trustees has adopted a resolution calling for the divestiture of foreign assets in companies doing business in South Africa.

The resolution, adopted on Dec. 2, 1985, prompted the sale of 250 shares in American Home Products Corp., despite the company's adherence to the Sullivan principles. The Sullivan principles require subscribers to provide equal pay and job opportunities without regard to race.

"To the best of my knowledge, American Home Products is the only company we had holdings in that did business in South Africa," said George Thorne, vice chancellor for Financial Affairs.

NCCU's failure to respond to a legislative survey of state universities' policies on South African investments prompted this investigation. Both Thorne and Robert Poole, director of development and executive director of the NCCU Endowment Foundation, said they did not receive the legislative survey.

Of the state universities that responded to the survey, East Carolina, Elizabeth City, Fayetteville, N.C. A&T and the University of North Carolina at Charlotte said that they do not invest in companies that do business in South Africa.

A&T Vice Chancellor Charles McIntyre said his school's policy notes its historical commitment to human justice and dignity and condemns apartheid.

N.C. State, UNC-Chapel Hill, UNC-Greensboro and Western Carolina said they invest only in companies that adhere to the Sullivan principles.

"While the State Legislature may wish to address the issue for funds invested by the State, our leading colleges and universities have already addressed the issue and have established policies governing those funds for which they are primarily responsible," said Farris Womack, vice chancellor at UNC-Chapel Hill.

Appalachian State and UNC-Wilmington said their investments are strictly business, obtaining the highest yield with the lowest risk without regard for social principles.

The N.C. School of the Arts and UNC-Asheville said they are evaluating their investments, could not answer and hoped to reach a policy on South African investments in the future.

In addition to NCCU, Pembroke and Winston-Salem State University did not respond to the survey.

Central hosts preservation group

By Clarence Jones

N.C. Central University will host the National Association of College Deans, Registrars, and Admission Officers March 9-12 at the Sheraton University Center. NACDRAO is one of the few widely known organizations devoted to the preservation and im-

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