

# Disc jockeys ride airwave

By TOMMY O'CONNELL

They are cheerful in the bleak hours of dawn. They can motivate people to wake up and face the day. These amazing men are morning disco jockeys.

**Alan Handelman**

Alan Handelman of WITN-FM has one of the few live programs on the automated "Rock 93."

Although it is a relatively new program, his morning show, along with his Sunday night program, has gained a large following among Eastern Carolina's young adults.

"I like Handelman because he's the only D. J. who will play real rock 'n' roll. The others play too much pop," said junior Bobby Rosenbloom.

**Bob Inskeep**

Another very popular announcer is WRAL-FM's Bob Inskeep. In the past few years, Mr. Inskeep has built one of the largest followings in North Carolina.

He plays mainstream pop-rock and usually all records in the "Top 20." Between songs he mixes humor by utilizing puppets and other such materials.

"He plays a variety of music from the early 70's up through today's music," said junior Judi Thomas.

**Milton Garrett**

WRSV's morning man is Milton Garrett. Mr. Garrett has become very popular during his stay at "Soul 92."

He plays popular music by such groups as Yarbrough & Peoples, the Gap Band, the Sugarhill Gang and a Taste of Honey. His format is well liked by many students.

"I like his music, and it wakes me up in the morning," said senior Pete Thorne.

**Scott Marshall**

Radio station WEED's Scott Marshall's selection of music is basically mainstream rock.

Music is but a small portion of Mr. Marshall's show. He adds dry humor and a comic

banter with newsman Butch Pendell to a good selection of music.

**Gongaware**

Following in the footsteps of a radio celebrity is tough, but WQDR's Gongaware has done an admirable job in replacing Pat Patterson who left the station for WKIX-AM.

"I think he's kind of funny, and he's pretty easy to wake up to," said junior Terri Spears.

**Bob Crews**

Although much of his support comes from older listeners, Bob Crews of WFMA-FM ("Country Lovin'") also has high school support.

WFMA's format is entirely country music with the popular talk show "Party Line."

"Mr. Crews' music selection is interesting, and his approach is really unique," said junior Kelly Mouzon.



Morning disc jockey Michael Paul of WRMT (top), and WRSV's Milton Garrett on the job. (Photos by Gray.)

# Beach music "Breezes" here

By MIKE BARNHILL

Rocky Mount is not famous for strong winds, but its "Breeze" has blown right into the limelight.

"Breeze," whose debut occurred last July Fourth at Zoly's Disco, is fast becoming one of Eastern North Carolina's favorite Beach Music bands.

Lead guitarist "Spook" Joyner, is pleasantly surprised with the group's success. "We started out slow, but we just kept on rolling," he said.

Other members of "Breeze" include bass guitarist Ed Weaver, lead vocalists Gordon Springs and Bobby Bruce, Steve Potter on the keyboards and David Thompson on the drums.

"Breeze" writes most of their own music, sometimes with the help of friend Dink Perry. They have another 45 due out in about six months,

and they will be performing at the Rocky Mount Fairgrounds May 2 with the Embers, the Catalinas and other popular Beach Music groups.

But now he feels pretty solid with "Breeze." "Spook" suggests that the high school musician "take music, learn to read it, take it seriously, and practice moderately."

All the members of "Breeze" are in their twenties and are from the Rocky Mount area.



Breeze, a local beach music band, are David Thompson on drums, Gordon Spring on vocals, Bobby Bruce on vocals, Steve Potter on keyboards, Eddie Weaver on bass and Preston (Spook) Joyner on guitar.

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