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## Psychologist selects juries

Probably no woman you know commutes so far to her job as Courtney Mullin, the Thursday night speaker for Black Awareness Week. But then - few women have such fascinating jobs!

Courtney, 34, married and the mother of three children, first made TV network news in connection with her fight to achieve a change in venue two years ago for Joan Little, a

Black woman accused of murdering her jailer.

It was Courtney, then a graduate student in social-psychology at N.C. State University, who initiated the community surveys and psychological surveys that moved Little's trial to Raleigh, thus making possible a verdict of Not Guilty.

Her work in the selection

of the jury for the trial was complimented in an article in the *New York Times Magazine* (11-16-75), entitled "Jury by Trial."

Courtney, a strong opponent of the death penalty, now works for the Southern Poverty Law Center at their office in Atlanta. She spends her work-week there, flying home to Raleigh on weekends.

She is one of a team of three, the other two being lawyers, which gives its aid in jury selection wherever an indigent defendant faces the death penalty.

Recently the team was successful in obtaining a Not Guilty verdict for an Indian in South Dakota accused of murder in an aftermath of the Wounded Knee incident.

Courtney's talk as part of Black Awareness Week will touch on a career in the field of jury selection for women social-psychologists.



Dr. Yosef Ben-Yochannan, author of numerous volumes on African and Caribbean cultural history, will speak Sunday, February 13, at 2 p.m. in Jones Auditorium on "The Black Man's Religion."

Dr. Ben-Yochannan is sponsored by the Black Voices in Unity and the Convocation Committee as a part of Black Awareness Week. His lecture is open to the public free of charge.

## College reduces excessive fuel use

by Vicki Jayne

The administration is adhering to the country's energy crisis by lowering thermostat settings and curtailing excessive electricity. According to Mr. Joe Baker, vice president of business and finance, thermostats have been reset at 67 degrees and extra lighting has been reduced in dormitory halls and unused classrooms.

Mr. Baker said the hot water temperature has been reduced, but not below the limit established for occupational purposes. Heat is now cut off in the classroom buildings on Friday afternoon and resumed on Sunday night for the coming week. The scheduling of buildings for weekend use by outside groups has been curtailed drastically.

Planning ahead, Mr. Baker said that hot water may be completely turned off in the public restrooms around

campus and more outside lighting may be reduced. However, the reduced lighting will be minimal because of the administration's concern over the protection provided by outside lighting. The reduction would probably take place on the main drive and between Weatherspoon Gymnasium and the President's home.

Mr. Baker said the storage tanks are kept "as full as possible" of the 5 grade crude oil used in the heating system amounting to about 40,000 gallons. He remarked that doing the coldest weeks this year we have consumed 20,000 gallons in one week.

Problems, Mr. Baker explained, have occurred because of the vast areas covered by one thermostatical setting. A setting of 68 degrees means a lower temperature in third floor rooms as the hot air rises and a temperature set for the buildings surrounding the courtyard is "impossible to keep even."

## Room deposits due February 15

by Rosie Bowers

The Dean of Students Office reminds all students that room deposits for the 1978-79 school year are due February 15. The \$100 deposit reserves dormitory accommodations for the student.

In addition, the deposit enables the admissions office to gain a perspective on the number of new students that may be accepted for the coming year. No freshmen and transfers can be admitted unless housing is available

after presently enrolled students have reserved space.

"A great deal of confusion concerning the deposits exists among the student body, especially those who are planning to transfer from Meredith," Mrs. Cooper of the Dean of Students Office reported.

"Students are hesitant about committing themselves to returning next year until they know whether or not they have been accepted at another

institution," she added.

The Dean of Students Office urges every student to reserve housing space if there is any possibility that she will be returning next year.

After making the deposit, a student can receive an \$85.00 refund if she notifies the office of a change in plans by May 1.

The \$100 deposit must be paid by February 15 in order for a student to be able to draw for a dorm room with her class.

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**International Living Bazaar**  
Interesting in purchasing Valentines or early Christmas gifts from abroad? The Raleigh Council of the Experiment in International Living will sponsor an International Bazaar on Thursday and Friday, February 10 and 11, from 10 a.m. until 3 p.m. at the Cate Student Center.

All profits from the Experiment bazaar are to go to the Scholarship Fund for the Raleigh Community Ambassador Program which is sponsored annually by the Raleigh Experiment.

Having participated in the Experiment in International Living's Community Ambassador Program for over twenty years, the Raleigh Council will once again send a representative of the Raleigh area with the Experiment Summer Abroad Program. Persons between the ages of eighteen and thirty are invited to apply for the program which seeks to send the 1977 Community Ambassador to India for a living experience

with an Indian family for three weeks. Applications may be secured by writing to PO Box X-122, Meredith College, Raleigh, North Carolina.

**Study Skills Program**

A new program involving study skills sponsored by an intern group from the Counseling Department of North Carolina State University working in correlation with Dr. Merna Galassi and Ann Dahle will have its first meeting Tuesday, February 15, at 10 a.m. in the Board of Directors Room in the President's Suite in Johnson Hall.

The program, which is designed to help adult students returning to school, will cover such techniques as how to manage time, improve reading skills, and take notes.

Interns coming from NCSU to administer the program are Allan Miller, Linda Long, and Norma Caltagirone.

Interested students who cannot make it to the first

meeting on February 15 are urged to get in touch with Anne Dahle in the continuing education office.

**Pilobolus Dance Theatre**

On Friday, February 11th, the Triangle Dance Guild 1976-1977 Season will present the Pilobolus Dance Theatre at Stewart Theatre.

Pilobolus represents a new concept of self-propelled Dance Theatre, combining dance, acrobatic, sculpture, and wit into an irresistible new art form. Complicated geometric patterns sprout and grow organically! "A highly original energy circus" is the international name that the six member group is making for itself. The performance is at 8 p.m. at Stewart Theatre. Tickets are \$2.50 for students and are available from Mrs. Stevens. You can come by any afternoon, Monday through Thursday to purchase your ticket. Please make checks payable to: Triangle Dance Guild, Inc.

**Psi Chi Officers Elected**

New officers have been selected and inducted into Psi

Chi, the psychology honor society, for the coming year. They are as follows: Joel Anne Reams, president; Vicki Jayne, vice president; Colleen Strother, secretary; and Sherry Baker, treasurer.

The chapter will be involved in developing a psychology colloquium series for the coming year; co-hosting the Carolina Psychology Conference with North Carolina State University in April; and assisting in sending several students to the Eastern Psychological Association Conference in Boston, Massachusetts, in April.

Plans were made for a psychology laboratory open house in March and an induction ceremony for new members. Professor Julian Jaynes, a renowned psychologist, will be the keynote speaker.

**MCA Spring Forums**

Grady Nutt will be the Meredith Christian Association's guest speaker for Spring Forums Wed-

nesday, February 16, at 10 a.m. in Jones Auditorium.

He will present his "Gospel According to Pinocchio," in which he parallels the life of Pinocchio the puppet to the life of Christ.

Nutt has spoken at colleges, churches, and church-related functions all over the U.S.

Informal conversation will follow his talk Wednesday at 11 a.m. in the Fireplace Lounge in Cate Center.

**Trip to France**

Dr. Katalin Galligan will sponsor a trip to France May 14-22. The trip will include six days on the French Riviera and sightseeing in Paris. The cost is \$750 and includes air fare from Raleigh-Durham Airport, hotel accommodations and continental breakfasts. One hour course credit in French is offered. Applications are available in the Foreign Language department and the deadline is March 1.

For more information, contact Dr. Galligan in 232 Joyner.