

# Sweet Honey in the Rock to sing at WFU

Sweet Honey in the Rock, whose gospel, jazz and blues songs carry religious themes as well as social and political commentary, performs Sunday, Sept. 20 at Wake Forest University.

The concert begins at 8 p.m. in Wait Chapel.

The group of five African-American singers took their name from a popular gospel song.

Founded in 1973 by Bernice Johnson Reagon, the ensemble incorporates hand claps, African percussion instruments, calypso, soul and a bit of contemporary rap in their blend of music.

Reagon, who holds a Ph.D. in African-American cultural history, is a curator of the Smithsonian Institution's Museum of American History.

While the five singers use their voices, Shirley Childress Johnson uses her hands to create sign language interpretations of the songs for the hearing



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impaired.

Sweet Honey in the Rock has won one Grammy Award and been nominated for a sec-

ond. The group has released six compact disc recordings.

Admission is \$12 for adults, \$8 for students (grade school

through college). For non-student groups of five or more, tickets are \$10. For information, call 759-4869 or 759-5210.

## Arts Council summer programs continue

Throughout the summer months, the Arts Council has presented Winston-Salem and Forsyth County with visual and performing arts events to hundreds of people. If you missed the early concerts and classes, you still have an opportunity to take advantage of these free activities. And what better way to spend time with your family and enjoy the late summer weather than in your own neighborhood listening to great music or watching as your children learn to make an elephant or create a "fishy" underwater

scene.

Cartwheels is a unique program that brings visual arts out-of-doors and into the community. The program, co-sponsored by the Junior League of Winston-Salem and the *Triad Family News Magazine*, provided instruction for children ages six to 12 in a variety of artistic disciplines.

This year the program offers classes in clay, fiber jewelry making, paper collage, and drawing. Through the efforts of the Junior League of Winston-Salem and with

a great deal of assistance from the Parks and Recreation Department and public libraries, the Cartwheels program has run on an entirely vol-

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By REGGIE JOHNSON



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The final three sites on the Cartwheels schedule include Walkertown Park on August 20, Rural Hall/Stansleyville library on August 25, and East Winston library on August 26.

Evenings in the Neighborhoods provides an opportunity for families to attend performing arts happenings in their own "backyards" and serves as an avenue for local performers to showcase their talent.

This concert series has brought music to 14 sites throughout the area on Monday and Wednesday nights of each week during July and August.

Two more concerts are scheduled to take place next week. On August 24, the Groove Clinic will play rhythm and blues at the Clemmons library. And on August 26, Phase Band will play rhythm and blues at the Masonic Temple parking lot at 1025 East 14th Street. And the Outta the Bag Concert Series is going strong every Monday and Wednesday beginning

at 12:15 p.m. in Winston Square Park. In August and September great music from In the Black, the Groove Clinic, Swamp Cats, Imani,

the Mike Bellar Trio, and Sweet Dreams will be heard in downtown Winston-Salem.

Free and open to the public, these lunch-time concerts provide a unique respite when you can sit back and enjoy the talents of local musicians and your lunch out-of-doors.

For more information about any of the Arts Council's programs mentioned above, call 722-5293.

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**THURSDAY, AUGUST 20**

7:30 p.m. — The 2nd Annual East Coast Youth Convention will be held at Ambassador Cathedral, 1500 Harriet Tubman Dr. The theme for the week-long session is "Youth — A Chosen People, A Generation That Can Make A Difference." For more information call Willie J. Mason at 722-0899.

**SATURDAY, AUGUST 22**

10 a.m. — Food Fair Supermarkets, A&W and WMAG will sponsor the 1992 A&W Float at all eight Food Fair locations. Refreshments and root beer floats will be sold. Donations will be applied to the Easter Seal Society.

**TUESDAY, AUGUST 24**

10 a.m. — The animated movie, "Duck Tales" will be shown at the Main Library. Additional shows start at 2 p.m. and 7 p.m.

**PUBLIC SERVICE ANNOUNCEMENTS**

Sept. 13 — The Children's Theatre of the Arts Council Theatre presents "If the Shoe Fits," a musical adventure in wordplay, wit, and rhythm. Canadian singer/songwriter Norman Foote and his puppets will entertain children with jazz, blues, rock, country, and comedy. Tickets are \$5. Performances will be at 1:30 and 4 p.m. For more information call 725-1711.

- The William C. Sims Center, 1201 Alder St., will hold free meditation classes on Wednesday and Fridays from 2-3 p.m.
- The YMCA of Greater WS will begin registration for Before and After School ChildCare Programs. Call the Central YMCA at 721-2100, the Northwest Family YMCA at 983-0660, or the Winston Lake Family YMCA at 724-9205 for more information.
- The Central YMCA of WS will offer pre-school gym for youngsters ages 2-5 years, and Gym/Swim for pre-schools beginning Sept. 8. Call 721-2100 for more information. The Central YMCA will also offer the following activities through Sept.: Judo - Sept. 7; Karate - Sept. 21; and Youth Basketball Skills Clinic - Sept. 21. Call the number listed above for registration information.
- The Northwest North Carolina Chapter of the American Red Cross is now accepting applications for its annual Summer Youth Volunteer Program. The program matches teens ages 13-18 with one of 20 area agencies who have immediate openings for summer volunteers. For more information, call 724-0511.
- The Nature Science Center will hold the first annual "Science Fun Festival" August 29 from 11 a.m. to 7 p.m. It is a celebration of the center's new outdoor environmental park, and nature trails. Activities include games for children of all ages. Admission is \$1 per person and \$5 per carload. NSC members get in free with their cards.
- The International Black Writers will sponsor a Youth Literary Forum September 18-20 for children interested in creative writing. For more information call (704) 531-9605.

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