

What's Happening!

By Bob Johnson

MUSICAL ENDEAVORS...It always amazes me to see the young talent that continuously flourishes around our growing city. There are musicians here that I have followed for many years, and it has been a pleasure to see and experience their growth. These musicians whose musical endeavors have taken them to all corners of this country and whose time and efforts to that end have been judiciously concentrated, are giving the benefit of their knowledge and wisdom to younger musicians. It is this unselfish attitude plus the ability possessed by these individuals that has made Charlotte's music scene great.

I had the opportunity to be in the presence of some of these musical wizards recently during a jam session at the Double Door Inn on Independence Blvd. Included in this group of players were Michael Porter on flute, Bryan Paris on steel piano, J. Gerard Benson on bass, Jerry McJenkins on percussions, Vincent Pope on Guitar, Juici



Carter on piano and sax and Matt Freeman on trumpet. These dudes gave real solid performances on such original tunes as "Osayea" written by Porter, "2176" written by Carter and "Chant of a Long Time Ago" written by Parris.

Whenever you want to hear some real original funky music, keep in touch with "What's Happening," and we'll tell you who? what? when? and where to cut into these local musicians. By the way, the Astrology Lounge on Mint St. hosts a jazz jam every Sunday night featuring a variety of local talent.

BREAKFAST FUN...The following Johnson C. Smith students were served a very delicious breakfast recently at the home of Mrs. Fannie Hargrave of 414 Martin St., after which they attended worship services at the First United Presbyterian Church. Karen Bryant, Debbie Richardson, Laurence Falkner, Donald Nicholson and Albert Turner.

COMPANY PARTY...The underwriting Department of Allstate Insurance Company, celebrated the winning of the regional Underwriting Excellence Award last Saturday night at Carmel Country Club. The elaborate event started at 7 with a cocktail hour, and ended at 12 after all of the participants had danced the night away to the live music of a group from Greensboro, N.C.

The Underwriting Excellence award is presented each year by the company to the underwriting department that registers the fewest errors over a period of time. The last time Charlotte won the award was in 1971. So they were really ready for this function. Some of the guests for this ball were Greg and Marilyn Johnson, Calvin Vance, Del Stinson, Jerri Wilson. Tip and Montez Mangrum, Larry and Patricia Copeland, Thomas and Janet Springs, Bobby and Eloise Ethridge and Latham and Barbara Phillips.

The menu for the evening consisted of fruit salad, lettuce salad, filet mignon, baked potatoes, string beans, pie, wine and coffee.

BIRTHDAY TIME...Henry Clay Gaddy is very proud to have friends like John and Earlene Robinson. The Robinson's of 5901 Ferndale Place used their beautiful abode to have a birthday party for brother Clay. The party was held last Saturday night from 10 until early in the morning. A number of friends and relatives attended this disco type party among them were Novell Gaddy, Clays wife, Sandra Gaddy, Le-vander Gaddy, Robbie Peoples, George Peoples, Rich and Ruby McCrory, George and Marie Williams. Janyce Robinson, Jerry Robinson, Lee Robinson and Eugene and Pamela Robinson.

VISTA VILLA PARTY...Saturday night was a very eventful night, and included in the eventfulness was a boss party held in the club house of the Vista Villa apartment complex. This practically all night affair was hosted by Brad Holland along with two very lovely hostesses Karen Wilson and Jackie Hughes. Ted Walker was the d.j. and Bull Walker the bartender. Jamming was the thing while soulful eats and tasty drinks added the ting for guests G.B. Smith, Al Hoey, Cynthia McCaskill, Gloria Donalds, Sam and Judy Pratt, Rusty Sims, Angela Daye, Tina Jeffries, Luther Carter Roberta Avery, George Bradshaw, Roanna Haith, Joann Frankin, Curtis Funderburke, Mitzi McClammy, Darrell Powe, Marshall Greene, Beverly Moore, Walter Brewer, Cornell and Valerie Smith, Pam Drakeford, Debbie Drye, Ron Smith, Jimmy Clinton, Kathy Green, Barbara Hoey, Hank and Lynn Phifer, Dee Robinson, Chris and Carol Caldwell, Robert and Berry Galukner, Dean and Gale Hart, Ann Marie, Calvin Williamson, Larry Fitzgerald, Sheila Tolar, and Priscilla White.

Until we speak on "What's Happening?" again, take care of yourselves and Rock Easy!



Vondra Cureton



Cheryl Phillips



Vickie Phifer



De Etta Mayhew



Sharon Hayes



Geraldine Gatewood

Friday, April 9

12th Cotillion Ball To Present 21 Young Ladies

by Sidney Moore Jr.
Post Staff Writer

Twenty-one young ladies will make their bow to society at the 12th annual Cotillion Ball sponsored by the Charlotte Alumnae Chapter of Delta Sigma Theta Sorority.

The ball will be held Friday, April 9, at 9 p.m., Park Center. Other activities planned by the Deltas for cotillion participants have included game day, pajama party, Christmas party, parents day, three charm clinics and a luncheon-fashion show to be held Saturday, April 3, 11:45 a.m., at the Downtowner on McDowell St.

This week's Delta Debs of the Week are Vondra Cureton, Kimberly Dubose, Geraldine Gatewood, Sharon B. Hayes, Gloria Mayhew, Vickie M. Phifer and Cheryl Phillips.

Vondra Cureton is the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Jesse Cureton of 1010 Northwood Dr. She is a senior at North Mecklenburg High and plans to enter Winston Salem State University as a business administration major.

Kimberly Dubose is the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Richard Dubose of 2209 Abelwood Rd. A senior at West Charlotte High, Kimberly plans to study law at Howard University.

Geraldine Gatewood is the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Robert Gatewood of 3520 Archer Ave. She is a senior at South Mecklenburg. Her plans are to pursue a degree in business administration at Johnson C. Smith University.

Sharon Hayes is the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Charles Hayes of 3209 Cricketer Dr. The West Charlotte High senior has not decided where she will go to school by thinks she would also like to study law.

Gloria Mayhew is the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Carl L. Smith of 239 Walton St. A senior at North Mecklenburg, she plans to enter North Carolina A&T University to study

political science. Vickie Phifer is the daughter of Dr. and Mrs. R.B. Phifer

of 1609 Pondella Dr. Vickie is a senior at West Charlotte High. She wants to go to Spellman

College where she intends to major in computer science. Cheryl Phillips is the daughter

of Mr. and Mrs. Winfred Phillips of 2512 Senior, Dr. The West Charlotte High senior

plans to attend East Carolina University to study computer science.

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