

# What's happening!

By Bob Johnson

**O'JAYS SHOW...**On the night of July 22, Charlotte's domed Coliseum came alive with the thunder of excitement generated by the people that came to take part in a rock and roll show.

Even though the show cast such acts as "Truth," "Whispers," Carrie Lucas and Johnny "Guitar" Watson. The feature role was played by 3 dynamic young men who call themselves The O'Jays, a name they chose out of appreciation to Eddie O'Jay, a Cleveland disc jockey who Eddie Levert credits with teaching them professionalism.

The O'Jays started their performance singing Ship Ahoy and moved with cat-like elegance through many other numbers that made them famous.

While moving through their potent show, The Mighty O'Jays took the following people with them Betty Straite, Carol Dunbar, Mary Steele, Valerie Simpson, Marion Helms, Susan McCrae, Sally Little, Margaret Mason, Creola Bradshaw, Minnie Crawford, Debra Coletrane, Buddy McKay, Bobby Stone, Cecelia Mendinghall, Mr. and Mrs. Eddie McClure, Vivian Armstrong, Mr. and Mrs. Melvin Cunningham, Mr. and Mrs. Harold Stowe, Mr. and Mrs. Andrew Beane and Mr. and Mrs. Otis Lowery.

**MIDNIGHT SET...**After traveling at the speed of light with the O'Jays, the swimming pool at the Radisson Hotel was the place to be.

**Sky Traugher**, the very polished CBS Records promoter for this area hosted a pool party that lasted from midnight until...

Sky's guest were afforded the opportunity to meet with the O'Jays, enjoy titillating conversation with friends and relax while indulging in super food and drink, under an umbrella of stars.

Among the guests were Ted Austin promoter for Warner Bros. Records, Lynn Smith promotion director for Warner, Electra and Atlantic Records, Kitt Massi promoter for ABC Records, Ronnie Cunningham, Dean Reynolds and Joan Graham from radio station WGIV, Attorney Bruce Perkins, Leroy Page jazz musician, Vi Parker of Record City Discount Store, Cecil Greene, Cheryl Gantt, Doris Lantz, Lester McCoy of Mr. Silk's Mens Clothing Store, Jim Black and Greg McMurray local photographers

**CAPITAL CITY FUN...**The Batch Racquet Club was honored at a party at Raleigh's Meadowbrook Country Club's Clubhouse recently during their tennis excursion to the Capital City.

The party was given by the Ebony Racquet Club to celebrate the completion of the first day of the tennis match.

The party was slow getting started, but Batch members Jackie Reeves, Deborah Reeves, and James Cuthbertson started a hand clapping soul train to Teddy Pendergrass throbbing "You Can't Hide," and the night of fun and frolic had really begun.

Enjoying the party from Charlotte were Thomas Mack, Cina Mack, Maurice Mack, Bernard Reeves, Janice Reeves, Ron Johnson, Paul Anderson, Angela Goodwin, Patrick Currence, Mark Currence, Charles Parker, Thomas Brown, Hiram Jones, Roslyn Jones, Pancho Mack, Derrick Milligan, Tommy Burch, Laticia McCowan, Mr. and Mrs. Henry McCowan, and Eric Berry.

**DINNER TIME...**Four lucky people found themselves honored at a dinner party recently, at the home of Edna Washington of 717 Arrowood Rd.

Monroe Culp, Carrie Washington, Carrie Broome and Jerry Culp have two things in common. They were born in July and they are of the same family. They also shared a common expression of surprised elation, when they discovered that they were the guests at the dinner party.

Eight cakes were baked for this feast, which also featured a large variety of other foods and drinks.

Attending this family affair were Mary Culp, Osie Culp, David Culp, Richard Culp, Rev. and Mrs. George Washington, Mary Miller, Betty Cureton, Chiang Washington, Maggie Washington, Rosetta Washington, Monroe Washington, Minnie Purdue, Freddy Purdue, Alfreda Broome, Roosevelt Broome, Mr. and Mrs. Frederick Washington, Andre Culp, James McCain, Ronald Pettus, Mr. and Mrs. Ronald Eubanks, Datoya Eubanks, Deltwan Broome, Darryl Culp, D'Amon Culp, D'Amisa Culp, Ulysses Washington Jr. and Antoine Washington.

**ONE ACT PLAY...**The Ebony Group and Company will present a one act play entitled "The Sirens," Friday and Saturday nights, Aug. 5 and 6 at 8:15 p.m., at the Little Theatre, 501 Queens Road.

"The Sirens" is a penetrating study of Character and the destruction cycle which so often characterizes life in a big city ghetto.



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MRS. BARRY ERNEST MCDOWELL  
...The former Miss Susan Jackson

## Miss Susan Ann Jackson Weds Barry E. McDowell

McClintock Presbyterian Church was the setting for Susan Ann Jackson and Barry Ernest McDowell when they recited wedding vows Saturday, July 23.

Presiding over the ceremony was Rev. W. Baxter.

The daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Sidney Jackson, 413 Fairwood Avenue, the bride was given in marriage by her father.

floor length Victorian gown, trimmed in Venice lace. The veil was ivory Venice lace with a crown top. Her bouquet consisted of peach and apricot flowers and baby's breath.

The matron of honor was Mrs. Edna Harris and the best

man was Nathaniel Carrett. Brides maids wore peach colored floor length tee strap gowns with jackets.

The flower girl was Kip Lawrence and ring bearer was Al Corey Jackson.

The bride attended Olympic High School and is employed by the Legal Aid Society.

The groom is the son of Mr. Ernest McDowell and the late Katie McDowell, 3215 Barfield Drive. He is a graduate of West Charlotte High School and is employed by the Charlotte Housing Authority.

After the wedding the couple will honeymoon in sunny Florida. They will make their home in Charlotte.

## Eastern Stars To Meet In Raleigh

The North Carolina Grand Chapter, Order of the Eastern Star, an affiliate of the Most Worshipful Prince Hall Grand Lodge, Free and Accepted Masons, of which Bishop Herbert Bell Shaw is the Grand Master, will convene here in its 76th annual Grand Chapter meeting, Sept. 5-7.

All meetings will be at the Royal Villa Motor Inn.

Mrs. Maggie L. Strong is Grand Worthy Matron and will preside over all meetings.

Ruth Chapter No. 2, of which Mrs. Beatrice L. Johnson is the Worthy Matron, is host. Mrs. Mary Susan Greene is District Deputy, and Bro. Paul Cannady, is deputy of the Masonic District.

The deputies will meet at 4 p.m. and report to the Worthy Matron the state of their respective districts. A welcome program will follow the deputies' meeting, in which representatives from the city, professions, churches, business and industry will extend a

welcome.

The annual Chapter of Soror, under the direction of the Rev. J.W. Smith, former pastor of Raleigh's Davie Street Presbyterian Church, and retired minister of Charlotte's Seventh Street Church, will deliver the eulogy for the 400 members who died during the past year.

He will be assisted by the Rev. Leatha Debnam, associate patron of Ruth Chapter and minister of Tupper Memorial Baptist Church. Appropriate music will be rendered by the local chapter.

The regular business session will begin Tuesday morning at 9 o'clock, with the Grand March and the presentation of the Grand Officers.

The banquet Tuesday night will be the high point of the entire 3-day meeting, when 400 diners will view the Bridal March and may see as much as \$4,000 presented for the scholarship fund and related charities.

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## Summer Jobs Give Health

### Students Taste Of Real World

By Gale Jones  
Special To The Post

**CHAPEL HILL** - Students from four North Carolina universities are learning about health careers firsthand this summer.

They are working throughout the state as health interns in 26 health-care agencies including hospitals, social service departments, county health departments and community health centers.

The clinical work-study summer health program is coordinated by the North Carolina Health Manpower Development Program (NCHMDP) at the University of North Carolina at Chapel Hill.

The more than 70 intern students are enrolled during the school year in a business or health services curriculum at Elizabeth City State University, Pembroke State University, North Carolina University of UNC-CH.

The summer program, now in its fourth year, is designed to give minority and disadvantaged students an opportunity to receive experience in a career they're interested in and to reinforce their motivation and commitment to a health career. Other program goals are to increase student awareness of the need for more minority health professionals and to help students understand the variety of services performed by people in health careers. The summer program is related to a major goal of NCHMDP - to recruit minorities for health professions.

Some of the careers students expressed an interest in this summer include medicine, nursing, dentistry, pharmacy, physical therapy, health administration, speech pathology, medical technology and medical social work.

Students not only work full time for 10 weeks, but also attend seminars, see films on health careers, work with self-instructional material and go on field trips to health professional schools and agencies.

Students who have partici-

pated in the program in the past have been enthusiastic said Dr. E. Lavonia Allison, director of NCHMDP. One student said, "It gave me a good understanding of the jobs available." Another commented, "I felt involved in doing something worthwhile. The clinical experience was great."

More than 200 students have completed the program in the past, Allison said, and most of them have continued

in health careers on the undergraduate or professional school level.

Students are paid a \$100 a week salary that is provided by a variety of sources. Some students are paid from the financial aid offices of their school and from grant funds on a 80-20 percent basis. Others are paid by grant funds from the Kate B. Reynolds Health Care Trust, Association of University Programs in Health Administration

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