

Hansbury play has 'soul'

In the middle of the second act of "To Be Young, Gifted, and Black," Lorraine Hansberry steps to the front of the stage and ponders, "I wonder if I should remain a revolutionary."

Yet, as my companion for the evening remarked, one does not feel that he has been in the presence of a real revolutionary. Miss Hansberry had little in common with the likes of Leroi Jones. She was the gentlest of revolutionaries.

In her work there is a noticeable lack of anger, bile, hatred. Even when she speaks of shooting the racists as they pass through, she is matter of fact, speaking of

what will not disgrace her race in the eyes of their children, speaking of necessities of life, rather than retributions. There is not hatred in her work. Indeed she speaks only of love, and suggests that here race be the leaders in teaching love to the whites.

In contrast to the negative qualities of bitterness and rebellion found in so many black writers, Miss Hansberry offers the prospect of strength through pride, a pride which lasts in spite of, perhaps even because of pain and despair. This, I believe, is what makes her universally appealing.

She is first of all, a human being, believing in the interest and worth of every member of the human race. This is emphasized in the play by having many women, black and white, play her part in the production. There is an especially remarkable scene in the second act in which two actresses, one white, one black, stand on stage and exchange some of her most poetic lines. She speaks of being influenced by O'Casey, of transforming his Irish wail into her own idiom, but her great success is that she has also transformed that Irish wail into the wail of all humanity, of as she puts it "plain people."

"To Be Young, Gifted and Black" is a remarkable collection, a distillation of her best work. The poetry of even her letters creates a magical theatrical experience, with many of the lines being unbearably beautiful. The play was originally produced off-Broadway in the tiny Cherry Lane theatre, where 200 people seemed to be in intimate conversation with the author. Such is the power of Miss Hansberry's words, however, that even the enormous Memorial Hall auditorium seemed to shrink down to merely the spectator and the lone actress on the bare stage. This was theatre at its most wonderful.

The production we were given here was quite good. The weak point was the direction. Gene Frankel's original direction was for a much smaller stage and one that revolved. This shows in Will Mott's direction in that nearly all the action is concentrated in the very center of the stage. His unfortunate idea to open

up in width was to have people wander over to the edge of the stage and stand. This and the general manner of blocking and movement gave a very stagey and artificial look. The original rather cluttered scenery had been discarded and this was all to the good, giving the words a greater starkness and simplicity. The lighting was very good.

Finally there was the cast. Individually there were some weaknesses. Bernard Ward spoke his lines with irritating emphasis on projection, but he had a powerful stage presence and it is possible that he was just miscast. Tina Sattin copied Cicely Tyson's performance from the original cast inflection by inflection, though she still gave a very good reading. The rest of the cast was individually rather good. Together the whole cast was much better than that. This is an ensemble play, and as an ensemble the company performed admirably, playing off one another with precision and poetry. Most importantly, the company gave a performance filled with soul, not only the soul associated with the black idiom, but the soul of all mankind, which is, exactly what the writing of Lorraine Hansberry is all about.

A word should be said about the incredible disorganization of this performance. The audience arrived en masse twenty minutes after the curtain had gone up, seeking out their exact seats in the dark. There is no excuse for so many people to arrive late for such an event, in the process disturbing the mood that the actors were trying to create.

Party set tonight aids Upward Bound

by Jessica Hanchar
Staff Writer

Tickets are on sale throughout the day for the Panhellenic Council-Inter Fraternity Council (IFC) party to be held tonight from 8:30 to 1 a.m. in the Tin Can.

Proceeds from the party will go to an Upward Bound fund for students at UNC. A band, Arrogance, will be playing at the dance until about 11 p.m. Ben Clark will then sing until the door-prize drawing, to be held around midnight.

Fraternity and sorority members are selling the tickets throughout the campus at 25 cents each.

Ripley writes book from columns

"Soul Food and Perples," a paperback collection of Daily Tar Heel columns by Ken Ripley will be on sale in the Student Union today and Friday. Copies are also available in the Intimate Bookstore's Paperback Gallery.

Ripley, national news editor and columnist for the Daily Tar Heel, is a junior journalism major from Alexandria, Va.

The 67-page book features 25 selected columns from last year's DTH, including 15 selections from his weekly "Soul Food" column. Also featured are ten of what Ripley calls "people" columns.

The book, assembled and printed by a group of UNC students, is being sold for one dollar. A limited number of copies can be purchased by DTH subscribers, Ripley says, by writing to him in care of The Daily Tar Heel.

"Ticket sales are going pretty well," said Chris Sawyer, IFC co-ordinator for Upward Bound. "We figure we've gotten from \$1,000 to \$1,500 by now."

A ticket will enable the holder to take part in the door prize drawing. The first winner of the raffle will have the choice of a 14-inch Admiral Color TV or a Model-24 KLLH stereo. The TV and stereo were made possible by Dollar Radio and TV Service; Records, Clogs and Things and IFC.

Chapel Hill and Carrboro merchants have donated the remainder of the 40 prizes. They range from a guitar donated by Burgner Music Co. to meals and gift certificates.

Winners do not have to be present to win.

Upward Bound is a federally funded project whose purpose is to stimulate underachievers to do better work in high school and eventually to enroll in college.

All the students enrolled in the Chapel Hill Upward Bound program must spend eight weeks of each of their three high school summers here at the University for tutorial work, seminars and other activities.

As college freshmen, they do not have the needed private expense money and usually need to take part-time jobs. These are in addition to jobs they are obligated to take as a result of their loans and scholarships.

Many of the students are consequently either failing or dropping out of school. "This almost completely negates the entire effect of the program," explained Sawyer.

The fund will be established for the benefit of those students who might not otherwise complete their first year at UNC.

Money for poor is goal of project

by Lana Starnes
Staff Writer

Operation Santa Claus, a project begun by concerned individuals within the community, is an attempt to raise Christmas money for needy children in Orange County.

According to Mrs. Marilyn Tyroler, at the present time there are no projects to help families within the county.

The money raised will be exchanged for purchase orders which the parents may use at their own discretion. The orders will be redeemable in any of the local stores.

Mrs. Gordon Sharp, who is supervising the funds, said the request for purchase orders came from the welfare recipients

themselves who prefer cash to material goods.

"There's a lot more dignity and freedom in being able to go in and purchase what you want rather than having something given to you," Mrs. Sharp said.

"Hopefully we'll be able to raise enough money to distribute \$3 to \$4 per child," Mrs. Tyroler said.

The group would like to get junior and senior high school students and college students involved in soliciting donations. Sunday has been officially declared 'Operation Santa Claus Day' by Chapel Hill Mayor Howard Lee. Students will be collecting money for the project throughout the area.

Mrs. Morris Shreffler of 717 Caswell Road is holding a tea Thursday afternoon to explain the project to various individuals in the community. Anyone interested is invited to attend.

"This is a last minute attempt to collect money for these children. But even at this late date we are going to try to do something," Mrs. Shreffler said.

An account from which the checks will be written has been set up. Donations to Operation Santa Claus should be addressed to Mrs. Gordon Sharp, 307 Granville Road, Chapel Hill, N.C.

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Campus news briefs

GSS, APO sale scheduled today

Want to buy some good junk? If you do, then the Gamma Sigma Sigma Colony-Alpha Phi Omega Junk Sale is what you've been looking for.

The two University service organizations are sponsoring Thursday from 2 to 5 p.m., an auction of items left over the years in dormitory rooms. The auction is being held on McIver dormitory lawn to raise money for the Campus Chest.

The "junk" was donated by the Office of Residence Life after being inventoried by Director Fred Culbreth.

GSS Colony President Stephanie Mayo said she did not know how much "junk" would be auctioned, but "there will be several hundred items."

"The junk won't be going for much," she said, "but we do hope to raise a lot of money for the Campus Chest."

Among the items to be offered for sale are trunks (some full), typewriters, luggage, tables, lamps, chairs, appliances, ironing boards and drying racks.

Student hit by car; injuries just minor

A UNC senior was injured early Wednesday afternoon when struck by an automobile on East Franklin Street.

Ronnie Ashby, 203 Chateau Apartments, was struck in front of the Morehead Planetarium by a car driven by Virginia Montague immediately after noon.

Ashby was taken to the emergency room of the N.C. Memorial Hospital by a Durham Ambulance Co. ambulance. He was treated there for cuts and bruises and released.

No charges have been filed in connection with the accident. Chapel Hill Police Patrolman Gilbert Turner investigated the accident.

EGOS campaign to attack 'beer'

The evils of drinking beer now include even the cans from which you drink it.

Caroline Saltonstall of EGOS is conducting a campaign to make beer available locally in return glass bottles. She is also asking groups and individuals to buy only returnable bottles.

"I got the idea after walking down Cameron Avenue through the cans on the ground," said Miss Saltonstall. "The mess they made was horrible."

The first year graduate student comes from California, where returnable beer bottles are "widely used."

Miss Saltonstall has succeeded in persuading the A&P to carry Schlitz, Budweiser and Pabst beers in returnable bottles, but they come packaged only by the case.

"Since fraternities are generally the only campus groups that buy beer by the case, I have been concentrating on them," she said.

Miss Saltonstall has written to breweries asking them to package returnable beer bottles in six-packs.

"They all wrote back saying that they had turned the idea over to their marketing department," she said. As soon as the six-packs are available, Miss

Saltonstall plans to canvass the dormitories asking the residents to buy them.

She admitted that local merchants are hesitant to stock the returnable beer bottles "because of the extra trouble that the empties require."

Miss Saltonstall also announced plans to expand her activities into milk cartons and soft drink cans.

Morrison dorm to be open

Morrison dormitory will be open during the Christmas holidays for students who wish to remain on campus during this period.

All men's and women's residence halls, with the exception of Morrison and Craige, the graduate student dormitory will close at 8 p.m. Dec. 18 and will reopen on noon Jan. 3.

"Keeping Morrison open reflects our concern that a building be available for use by those students who need a place to stay in Chapel Hill," says Robert F. Kepner, director of Residence Life.

"Also, it expresses our awareness of the great thievery and lack of security that pervaded during last year's Christmas holiday period," Kepner added.

A residence director or college master will be on duty at Morrison during the entire vacation period. Self-limiting hours will not be in effect; women's corridor doors will be locked at midnight.

Students will be charged \$1.50 per night for the holiday living and are required to furnish individual linens.

Each student residing in Morrison during the vacation period will be required to sign a responsibility statement for any property loss which might occur during his stay. Students in Morrison have been sent memos asking for permission to use their rooms during the holiday period, according to Kepner.

"Reservation should be made as early as possible," Kepner said. "There are a limited number of rooms available which will be assigned on a first-come, first-served basis."

Reservations should be made directly by the student to Mrs. Delores Carver (933-5098) in the office of Residence Life, Bynum Hall.

The Morrison desk will be open for registration of guests from 5 p.m. to midnight on Dec. 18, 9 a.m. to midnight Dec. 19 and from 4 p.m. to midnight on each day thereafter until Jan. 3.

Orphanage party by Lambda Chi

Santa Claus will come to the children of Oxford Orphanage Friday afternoon when the members of Lambda Chi Alpha fraternity give their Christmas party.

The party is in connection with the fraternity's winter formal this weekend.

The 16 boys and 16 girls were chosen from the four-to-seven-year-old age group of children in the orphanage. Each brother and his date received the name of one child in the orphanage. The couple will present this child with a gift suited to his age and sex.

One member, named Santa Claus, will place all the gifts under a tree, which the fraternity decorated and will leave with the orphanage.

Other activities will include Christmas carols, singing with guitar accompaniment and refreshments.

Answer to Yesterday's Puzzle

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Crossword Puzzle

ACROSS

- Away
- Slumbers
- Hurry
- Witty remark
- Possessive pronoun
- Lubricated
- Girl's name
- Wooden pin
- 16 (sic meter)
- Parent (colloq.)
- Mature
- Boredom
- Skin ailment
- Harvest goddess
- Pierce
- Capuchin monkey
- Abstract being
- Prophecy
- Uncolored sky
- Razor-billed auk
- Collect
- Container
- Rodent
- Partner
- Encountered
- Strong wind
- Symbol of perfection
- West egg
- Also
- Book of maps
- Dine
- Vase
- Blemish
- Time gone by
- Aeriform fluid
- Brief
- Openwork fabric

DOWN

- Dude
- Regret
- Associations

4 Stockings

5 River island

6 Gull-like birds

7 Paradise

8 Old World sea

9 Eggs

10 Youngster

11 Earth goddess

12 Employer

13 Conjunction

14 South African fox

15 Number

16 Pertaining to an area

17 College degree (abbr.)

18 Bitter vetch

19 Bright star

20 Employed

21 Small rug

22 Direction "to be"

23 Slave

24 River boat

25 Anglo-Saxon money

26 Three-toed sloths

27 Mature

28 Small child

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