## SABU president emphasizes

## Black Awareness Week goal

By STEVE YEVICH

Black Awareness Week, which has been going on for several days, is the culmination of nearly a year's planning by the Student Association for Black Unity.

Eugene Perry, president of SABU, said that the purpose of this week was "to project the ideas and feelings of the black man toward America and to give examples of contributions blacks have made and continue to make to society."

More specifically, Perry expressed the hope that the week's activities would "make the student body and faculty more cognizant of all blacks and in particular of Washington and Lee's black students, and with a sincere effort on the part of the school, to bring out a community of black and white based on friendship and trust."

Last March the members of SABU compiled a list of possible speakers, blacks prominent in their fields, and gave it to Lutrelle Rainey, then head of Student Minority Affairs. Rainey, who at one time or another had met most of the prospective speakers, contacted them, and narrowed the list to about a dozen men in various professions. Choices were made from the remaining speakers on the basis of their breadth of experience, achievement in their fields, and a similarity between their experiences and those of the black student on campus.

According to Perry, most of the lecturers, realizing the limited financial resources of SABU, agreed to present their talks for free, and in some cases they paid for their own expenses.

John X. Miller was appointed head of a committee to handle the necessary travel and lodging arrangements, as well as to organize the Black Awareness Week Ball, a formal dance to be held Saturday night in Evans Dining Hall. The Ball is a joint effort on the part of SABU and the Student Activities Board. Perry said that SABU was able to keep costs of the ball down somewhat by arranging to pay the band, a Washington-based group named "98.6," at a price that was quoted in September, before final arrangements were made and before the band raised

## EC sets dates for public talks on honor system

By the Phi News Staff

On Monday night the student Executive Committee set Jan. 22-23 as the dates for public hearings on the future of the honor system, which will be held at 7:00 p.m. in Lee Chapel on