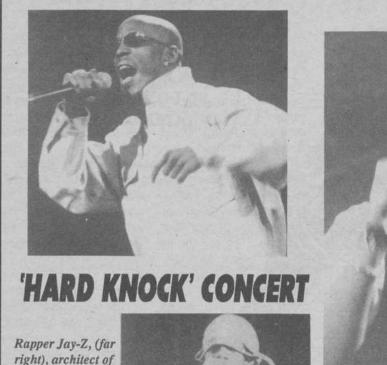
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right), architect of the Hard Knock Life Tour, laces the Thomas and Mack Center crowd with a hype verse. Joining him from top are DMX, Redman and Method Man.

Sentinel-Voice photos by Ramon Savoy



CBS brings Gumbel to morning show

NEW YORK (AP) -Bryant Gumbel's farewell to morning television was shortlived.

CBS announced today that Gumbel, host of the "Today" show on NBC for 15 years before leaving in 1997, will return to the time slot this fall, teaming with a former "Today" executive and broadcasting from a new storefront studio in Manhattan.

Gumbel will face the challenge of lifting a show that has been the doormat for decades in the morning TV ratings race.

Steve Friedman, who was executive producer of "Today" twice during Gumbel's time as host, will run the revamped "This newsmagazine, "Public Eye

November.

CBS is also taking a leaf from NBC in announcing plans to build a studio in the General Motors Building on Fifth Avenue in Manhattan. "Today" assumed its dominant role in the ratings when it opened a studio with windows to the street at Rockefeller Center in 1994.

"Although Ineverplanned on making a return to morning television, I think it's where I belong and I know it's where I'm most comfortable," Gumbel said n a statement Tuesday.

Gumbel signed a \$5 million contract with CBS two years ago but was a man without a job when his

Diana Ross to divorce

NEW YORK (AP) - Where did their love go? Singer Diana Ross' husband says his 13-year marriage to the former Supreme is over. "Yes, we have separated," Arne Naess told a Norwegian television station this week. Ross' spokesman, Paul Bloch, had no comment last week.

Ross, 55, and Naess have two children. The singer-actress also has two daughters from a previous marriage and another daughter from a relationship with Motown founder Berry Gordy. Ross became a household name in the 1960s with The Supremes. The group's hits include "Baby Love," "Where Did Our Love Go?" and "Stop, in the Name of Love."

canceled last year.

"Today" continues to dominate in the increasingly lucrative morning television race, and ABC appeared to stop its decline in January when it named Charles Gibson and Diane Sawyer as co-hosts. ABC is building a new studio for "Good Morning America" in Times Square, but it's not clear how long Gibson and Sawyer will continue on the show.

CBS did not name a coanchor for Gumbel. Network executives have reportedly considered ABC's Elizabeth

Morning" when it debuts in with Bryant Gumbel," was Vargas and Deborah Norville, who was briefly Gumbel's partner on "Today."

> There was no word on the future of Jane Robelot and Mark McEwen, the current hosts of "This Morning." Al Berman, the show's current executive producer, willkeep his job but work for Friedman. "I'm not naive about the

> difficulty of the challenges that lie ahead, but I am enthused about the extent of CBS's commitment to what Steve and I want to do and optimistic about our future," Gumbel said.



Sorority's Apollo night successful

John T. Stephens III

Sentinel-Voice The sisters of Delta Sigma Theta Sorority, Inc were proud to present their rendition of a night at the Apollo with their national annual Jabberwock Talent Show Saturday, April 24.

"A Jabberwock is a variety talent show which is made up of a lot of variety acts," said Barbara Shade, chair of the 14 member Jabberwock committee. "In Las Vegas we haven't had one since 1976. This is kind of a revival."



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The theme is taken from Lewis Carroll's "Alice in Wonderland" where the Jabberwock was a terrifying beast that was a total embodiment of all man's fears. Fifteen groups of young people, ages 6 to 16, took to the stage at Clark County Library, 1401 East Flamingo Rd., to compete for cash prizes.

The audience chose winners by applauding loudest for who they felt should win.

Candice Cooper took first place winning \$300 for performing Stephanie Mills' "I Feel Good". Second place and a prize of \$200 dollars went to Rasmika Onstead for her dance recital to "God Bless the USA". Third place and \$100 dollars were the rewards for Melinda Valenquela's performance of Mariah Carey's "I Still Believe".

The \$15 dollar a ticket proceeds will go to scholarships and the Dr. Betty Shabazz Delta Academy.

Delta Sigma Theta Sorority, Inc was founded in 1913 and has over 200,000 sisters belonging to 850 chapters.

