

Brown joins First Union Board

Robert J. Brown, chairman and chief executive officer of B&C Associates, Inc., has been named to the state board of directors of First Union National Bank of North Carolina.

"We're very pleased to have Bob join us as a director," said Frank Dunn, president of First Union National Bank of North Carolina. "Bob has distinguished himself not only through his business achievements, but as a strong leader in the community, as well as the state and nation. We value the experience and insight he brings to our board."

A native of North Carolina, Brown in 1960 established B&C

Associates, a management consulting, marketing research and public relations firm headquartered in High Point. He served as president until 1968, when he took a leave of absence to serve as special assistant to President Richard Nixon. He returned as chairman and CEO of B&C Associates in 1973.

Brown serves as a member of the boards of the Piedmont Triad Airport Authority (Greensboro), N.C. Shakespeare Festival (High Point), the national NAACP Special Contributions Fund (Baltimore, Md.), N.C. Outward Bound School (Morganton), and the Governor's Business Council on the Arts and Humanities (Raleigh).



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Johnson to head HHS' ADAMHA

Dr. Elaine Johnson, who is an active member of Zeta Phi Beta Sorority, has been appointed Acting Administrator of the Alcohol, Drug Abuse, and Mental Health Administration (ADAMHA) of the Department of Health and Human Services (HHS).

Prior to becoming director of OSAP, Dr. Johnson served as the deputy director of the National Institute on Drug Abuse, where she had a lead role in the expansion of



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research activities on cocaine and in establishing new programs to study IV drug use aspects of AIDS.

Summit House gets \$40,000 grant

Summit House has announced receipt of a \$40,000 grant from the Public Welfare Foundation in Washington, D.C.

The funds will be used for general operations of the program. Summit House is an alternative to prison for nonviolent female offenders and their children. It is based in Greensboro but serves the entire state.

Summit House allows children to remain in their mother's care while the women receive intensive rehabilitative care, such as drug counseling, parenting skills, and education.

The Public Welfare Foundation supports projects that address target issues such as criminal justice and disadvantaged youth.

Wake Forest graduates more women

For the first time in its 158-year history, Wake Forest University has graduated more women than men.

At the 149th commencement held May 18, 368 women and 360 men received bachelor's degrees, according to Associate Registrar Hallie Arrington.

Coincidentally, graduating women became the majority 50 years after Wake Forest first admitted female students. Women were accepted to maintain enrollment when World War II reduced the number of men attending college.

The university will hold a year-long celebration of the 50th anniversary of coeducation at Wake Forest, beginning with its opening convocation in August.

Children's Home focuses on minorities

The Children's Home Society plans to implement a community-based minority recruitment/outreach effort to increase the number of available minority adoptive families in the Forsyth County area.

The Children's Home recently was awarded a \$40,000 grant by the Kate B. Reynolds Poor and Needy Trust to help with the outreach effort and with financial support for birth mothers and infants during the neonatal and adoption period.

"Our goal is not only to increase the number of adoptive families for children, but to improve education in the community, thereby making recruitment of families for minority children a successful ongoing program across the state," said Sandra Yarborough, CHS director of specialized adoption.

"Our efforts to improve the quality of life for North Carolina children would not be possible without the strong support of charitable organizations like the Kate B. Reynolds Trust."

The Kate B. Reynolds Trust is a private foundation created in 1946 through provisions in the will of Mrs. William N. Reynolds. The Poor and Needy Division of the Trust was established for the purpose of improving the welfare of Forsyth County's disadvantaged citizens. CHS is a private, statewide, non-profit, child-oriented service agency headquartered in Greensboro.



Benjamin Hooks will resign from the NAACP in April of 1993.

Hooks to deliver last address at Convention

When Dr. Benjamin L. Hooks, executive director/CEO of the NAACP, delivers his keynote address on Sunday night, July 12th, to formally open the Association's 1992 Annual Convention in Nashville, Tenn, it will mark the last time he will carry out that responsibility.

Earlier this year, Hooks announced he would be retiring at the end of his current contract year, April 1993. He delivered his first keynote address to the convention in 1977 while he was executive director/designate.

While the keynote address has always been a highlight of the convention, Hook's imminent departure makes this year's address even more important.

This year's theme is "Honoring our past, fulfilling our present, preparing for our future." Prior to

the Sunday night meeting, a number of major pre-convention activities will be held.

The first is a Health Summit designed to examine the critical health issues facing the African-American community — including health care, cost, access and prevention — and produce policy statements for both the guidance of the NAACP's constituency, and for action by policy makers.

The summit opens on Thursday, July 9, with a training session and reception for participants; continues on Friday, July 10, with a series of day-long working sessions; and a luncheon to be addressed by the Honorable Louis L. Sullivan, secretary of the Department of Health and Human Services. The summit concludes on Saturday, July 11, with a closing discussion and a luncheon.

Happy Hill Gardens store receives \$25,000 grant

The Winston-Salem Housing Authority was recently awarded a \$25,000 grant by the Winston-Salem Foundation.

The money will provide the start-up cost for the Happy Hill Garden Mart on Free Street. The convenience store was bought out by residents of Happy Hill Gardens community last year with the help of the United Way.

The store is scheduled to open on September 11.

Housing Authority Director Arthur Milligan said he was glad to see that the community will finally get what they've been waiting for.

"This is another step forward for the residents and the completion

of the store" said Milligan.

Yvonne Jefferson, assistant director of the Better You, Better Me said she was excited to also get started.

"This means we can go on forward with our store. God is good. We really needed that grant," said Jefferson, who is one of the residents involved the store buyout.

Jefferson is also part of the group of residents who are currently being trained to run the business. "Not only did we buy the store, we are being trained on how to run the business," she said.

"Now we can open this store in September and stay open. I know it will be successful," Jefferson said.



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