

April 23-27

# RTP Staff Members To Attend Conference In Washington, D.C.

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Post Staff Writer

Staff members of Recruitment and Training Program, (RTP), 2135 Beatties Ford Road, will travel to Washington, April 23-27 for the tenth Annual Conference of their organization.

Local outreach office director, Rev. Smith Turner, III, said there are 62 RTP offices nationally. Four are in North Carolina.

Other staff slated to make the trip are Mrs. Rosa Outlaw, transition and outreach coordinator; Vikki Stafford, office manager and Mrs. Carolyn Justice, secretary.

In addition to RTP employees, staff members of the Minority Women Employment Program will take part in the conference. This program assists women to acquire jobs in the skilled and professional areas, said Turner.

RTP operates an outreach program aimed at helping graduates of job-training pro-

grams secure employment in apprenticeship and journeyman positions. A Federal grant provides funds for this activity, the director said.

The organization also helps youth, with a transition program intended to provide jobs for recent graduates, according to Turner.

The site of the conference is the Shoreham-Americana Hotel.

Baynard Rustin, RTP national chairman, will launch the meeting as keynote speaker, according to a statement from the national office of the organization.

Other notables to address conference participants include Robert Taggart, Youth Employment administrator for the Department of Labor; Ernest G. Green, U. S. Assistant Secretary of Labor and Robert Georgine, AFL-CIO Building Trades Department President.

Eleanor Holmes Norton, chair, U. S. Equal Employment Opportunity Commis-



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sion, will be key speaker for the panel, "The prognosis for Affirmative Action Programs" scheduled for Tuesday, April 25. Other panelists to address this controversial issue are: Weldon Rougeau, Director, Office of Federal Contract Compliance Programs, and William Pollard, Director of Civil Rights,

AFL-CIO. Ross further states that R-T-P and its guest are interested in identifying the tracking training programs administered by other federal agencies as well as industrial apprenticeships in the private sector. Toward this end planner have structured a discussion for the afternoon of the 25th entitled

"New Frontiers in Skills Training" featuring Dr. Joan Wallace, Assistant Secretary, U. S. Department of Agriculture. Ben Fischer, international Representative, United Steelworkers of America, Mario Bowden, director, office of Civil Rights Compliance, U. S. Department of Transportation.

Stu Eisenstat, Assistant to President Carter for Domestic Affairs and Policy, will address guest at a luncheon scheduled for Wednesday, April 26. On that evening, the agency will hold its annual Awards Banquet, the traditional conference highlight. Du-

ring this time R-T-P will present awards to four outstanding young people who have been placed through the agency. Nominees have come from all of RTP's 54 offices throughout the country. The agency will also present its first annual Dorothy I. Height Award - one given to an individual whose efforts have resulted in the expansion of employment

opportunities for women - to Alexis M. Herman, Women's Bureau Director, U. S. Department of Labor

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## Garden Planting Time

### Early For Some Crops

If you haven't started your garden yet, you may be surprised that ideal planting dates have already passed for several crops and are quickly passing for a number of others.

For example, carrots should have been planted between mid-February and March 1 and head lettuce March 1-15. (All dates are ideal planting times for upper Coastal Plain and lower Piedmont. Move these up 7-14 days in the east and delay 10-20 days in the west.)

You can still plant carrots and head lettuce and expect to harvest a reasonable crop.

Agricultural Extension Service horticultural specialists at North Carolina State University suggest that garden peas should have been planted in February.

Here are some other suggested ideal planting dates (remember to adjust to your section of the state):

March-April 1--kale, kohlrabi, leaf lettuce, mustard. Each of these can also be planted for a fall crop in August.

Feb. 1-April 1--cabbage plants (also Aug. 1-15); March 1-15 and July 1-Aug. 15--cauli-

flower; Feb 1-March 15--onion sets or plants; March 1-15--Irish potato; Feb. 1-April 1-15--radish and turnip (fall crops possible, too); Feb. 1-April 1--rutabaga (also July 1-Aug. 1).

After these come the "semi-early" planted crops such as snap beans, corn, summer squash and watermelons, all beginning about April 15. About five days later is the best time to start planting cantaloupe, cucumber and tomato plants.

Delay until about May 1 those crops that require the warmer temperatures, such as lima beans, eggplant, okra, pepper plants, southern peas, and pumpkin.

You can plant two crops of many of these home garden vegetables, and it is often preferable to stagger plantings so all of the crops won't be ready to harvest at the same time.

For specific planting dates and variety planting information, you can pick up a copy of the "Quick Reference Home Vegetable Gardening Guide" at Agricultural Extension Service offices in all North Carolina counties.

## Library Schedules Film Festival

The Main Library will be "reeling them in" April 3-7 when they offer another film festival in celebration of National Library Week.

Movies featured during the week-long series will include a salute to Charlie Chaplin on Monday night when THE GENTLEMAN TRAMP is shown. The Tuesday, April 4, film is THE LADY EVE starring Barbara Stanwyck and Henry Fonda. Bob Hope and Bing Crosby hit the ROAD TO

MOROCCO April 5 followed by Katherine Hepburn and Spencer Tracy in WOMAN OF THE YEAR on April 6. The final film of the series is GIGI on Friday night, April 7, featuring Leslie Caron, Maurice Chevalier, and Louis Jordan.

All movies begin at 7:30 p.m. on the second floor auditorium. They are free and open to the public. For more information, contact the Film and Sound Department at 374-2912.



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