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### **PEOPLE OF NOTE**

# **Mobley earns 2005-06 Hammer Scholarship**

Dontavious Mobley is one of three winners of the 2005 Richard and Vicki Hammer Scholarship

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Mobley will be attending College Morehouse Atlanta, majoring in business administration. He is a graduate of Providence Day School in Charlotte, where he was a member of the National Honor Society, Beta Club, Key Club, Cultural Alliance, and Headmaster's List and Honor Roll. He was offered the Morehouse Academic Scholarship. Dontavious was a mentor in the Big Brother Big Sister program, and played on the basketball team

Mobley is the son of Annette and Reggie Mobley of Charlotte. Annette Mobley is a claims examiner with Brentwood Services



Administrators. Reggie Mobley is employed at West Charlotte High School. United Way president

Gloria Pace King has won a Women in Business Achievement Award Sponsored by the Charlotte Business Journal each

year since 1997, the award honors 25 women in the Charlotte area who have made outstanding achievements in business. King was honored July 21 at a luncheon held at the Charlotte Convention Center.

Award recipients were selected from nominations submitted by their senior colleagues, managers, friends and employees.

King has served as President of United Way of Central Carolinas since 1994 and oversees many operations, from resource development, to policy and procedures, to program development and community relations. It is her mission to ensure that in Cabarrus.

Mecklenburg and Union Counties and the Mooresville-Lake Norman Area: children are prepared to succeed in life; people are healthy and well; youth and families are strong, people are economically self-sufficient; and senior citizens and disabled persons live inde-• UNC Charlotte ROTC

49th Battalion in conjunc-tion with Johnson C. Smith University commissioned cadet Dwayne H. Robinson today in Biddle Hall auditorium on the campus of Johnson C. Smith

Robinson received his commission as a Second Lieutenant in the United States Army. He received his bachelor's degree in political science from JCSU in May

Robinson will serve his initial duty assignment as the Gold Bar Recruiter at UNCC prior to attending the Officers' Basic Course at Aberdeen Proving Ground in Aberdeen, Md., in January.

• Evingerlene Blakeney has earned a \$500 scholarship from Women of BECA. A graduate of Harding



PHOTO/JOHNSON C. SMITH UNIVERSITY

Johnson C. Smith University graduate Dwayne H. Robinson was commissioned as a Second Lieutenant in the U.S. Army. Robinson's wife and mother pin gold bars on his uniform.

## Millions More rally has broad agenda

By Hazel Trice Edney NATIONAL NEWSPAPER PUBLISHERS ASSOCIATION

WASHINGTON - After black men experienced a peaceful day of fellowship and renewal at the Million Man March on the Mall in

October 1995, many returned home, rejuveand nated ready to spread throughout their communities the goodwill they

had attained

But soon, the enthusiasm fizzled. Community meetings to discuss the march's atonement agenda gradually became sparse; then died out for lack of cohesion and a national umbrella Disproportionate homicide. unemployment and incarceration rates of black males went virtually unchanged.

But 10 years<sup>4</sup> later, this October 14-16, when the Millions More Movement begins, there will be no returning to business as usual, says a chief planner of the anniversary march.

"It's going to be bigger than '95," says Rev. Willie Wilson, the march's national executive director. "It's a much much wider and broader and diverse coalition of groups and organizations than in '95. And of course this time

and the strengthening of the Black family. Wilson. According to

among the tangible action items already being solidified are:

•A black book to put into everybody's hand that speaks to how to eliminate debt, how to create wealth, how to achieve home ownership, and other practical information that black people need.

• Task forces to work with black organizations that have programs that can be expanded to strengthen the community.

Mass support of the Congressional Black Caucus on its legislative and appropriations agenda as well as individual bills.

• A fund-raising arm to support black causes. "We've got to have money

to make these things work says Wilson. "So, one of the things we're looking at is developing a transparent economic arm that deals with people who have noted integrity and respect in our community. We'd have oversight over a fund that will be funneled into each of the different areas. For example, a certain amount could go to the United Negro College Fund, some for health programs in black community. Unlike a decade ago, the

Congressional Black Caucus is fully supportive of this event.

"This is an extraordinary moment for the leadership of our people," says Minister Louis Farrakhan. "Bringing together a far reaching coalition of our best and brightest political minds to effect change on the negative conditions of the masses of our people is the kind of unity we desperately need. Since no one group alone can solve the myriad of problems that our people face, the involvement and endorsement of the Congressional Black Caucus is a major step toward a united leadership The chairman of the CBC

agrees "If we can get a million people supporting the agenda that we have developed and present it to the president, then maybe the president will take the agenda more seriously," says U.S. Rep. Mel Watt (D-N.C.), chair of

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the 43-member CBC. "The more pressure, the more cajoling that we can put on the president and on the congress to lay out our agenda, I think the better off we are from our perspective." Wilson says the executive

committee is still open for suggestions. So far, all of the actions so far can be organized and mobilized within the black community, Wilson says. "This does not excuse the responsibility and culpability of the government, but there are things that we need to do in our own communities for ourselves that we can do if we just pool our time, talents and resources to make it happen

Wilson says he has already seen a major benefit from the march:

"That is a new found sense of community, of cooperative effort, and operational unity, if you will, where we see that beyond our theological, philosophical, personal difficulties and conflicts is a greater cause," he says. "And that is the uplifting of the masses of our people who are living in some very dire conditions

University High School, Blakeney mentored freshmen and was a member of the Order of the Ram and the track team. She will be a freshman Shaw University in Raleigh.

• Johnny C. Taylor Jr. and Arthur J. Gallagher have been named to the Charlotte School of Law board of trustees.

Taylor is president of McGuireWoods HR human Strategies, resources consulting company. Gallagher is president of Johnson & Wales University's Charlotte cam-

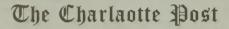
The law school's board is chaired by former judge Shirley Fulton. The school opens in 2006.

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Wilson

it's both men and women

With a broader agenda and supporters as varied as the Congressional Black Caucus and former President Bill Clinton, Wilson, pastor of the Union Temple Baptist Church in Washington, D.C. predicts that the march will have long lasting impact

"We didn't really develop any systematized programs coming out of 1995. We had many men assuming the responsibilities of taking care of their families, but there was not an overall programmatic thrust that came from the top down that was perpetuated on a continual and consistent basis," he says. "This time around, we are developing strategies, programs that will be ongoing, some of which will have short-term goals, some of which are more long-term. We're working on a system-atic plan and a programmatic thrust in the areas of education development, economic development, health, housing, cultural develop ment, spiritual development



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