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## A Woman On The Move

Congresswoman Cardiss Collins will be the featured speaker at the Winston-Salem State University's annual Commencement Exercise, May 18. Her duties as chairwoman of the Congressional Black Caucus truly make her a woman on the move.

## Collins Will Address Grads

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The 1980 Commencement Exercises will be held on May 18, in the Winston-Salem Memorial Coliseum. The guest speaker will be Congresswoman Cardiss Collins.

Congresswoman Collins was born in St. Louis, Missouri, moved to Detroit at the age of ten, and later moved to Chicago. She is a graduate of Detroit High School of Commerce and Northwestern University. She is also a member of First Baptist Church of Chicago.

Congresswoman Collins has a comprehensive list of accomplishments. She is Chairwoman of the Congressional Black Caucus and a member of the National Association for the Advancement of Colored People, Chicago Urban League, National Council of Negro Women, National Women's Political Caucus,

and a honorary member of Alpha Kappa Alpha Sorority.

Playing an instrumental role in her late husband, George's political success, undoubtedly paved the way for her own career. She is Committeewoman of Chicago's 24th Ward Regular Democratic Organization. The Congresswoman was elected in 1973 to fill the position of U.S. House of Representatives for the Seventh Congressional District of Illinois left vacant by the death of her husband.

Since then, Congresswoman Collins' political involvement has impressively grown. She is the first woman and first black to chair the *House Government Operations* Subcommittee on Manpower and Housing, which has responsibility for the Department of Labor, the Department of Housing and Urban Development, Ac-

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## Future Leaders

WSSU students recently elected their peers to lead them for the 1980-81 academic school year. Among the winners were Brian Washington (right), who will serve as director of Social Affairs and Laurretta Battle (below) Miss WSSU. (Mr. Washington's photo is by Nathan McCrimmon).

