

Maj. Carolyn E. Richardson

## Daughter of Pelham couple promoted

Maj. Carolyn E. Richardson recently assumed control of the 314th Contracting Squadron in Jacksonville, Ark.

During a ceremony welcoming Richardson as commander, she said, "I'm feeling pretty elated right now. I can't explain how much pleasure it gives me to have assumed command of the 314th Contracting Squadron. I'm looking forward to the challenge."

As the Air Force's representative in the business community, the contracting squadron's mission is the acquisition of quality supplies, services and construction from contractors in support of the 314th Airlift Wing.

Richardson graduated from Winston-Salem State University in 1975. She was commissioned through officer training school in February 1981, then went on to complete the executive/administration course at Keesler Air Force Base in Mississippi.

She completed squadron officer school in residence and has a master's degree in management from Golden Gate University. After spending almost 10 years of her career in the administrative arena, she was competitively selected to attend the Air Force Institute of Technology Education with Industry (EWI) program at Boeing Helicopters in Philadelphia from June 1990 to July 1991. Completion of the EWI program resulted in a career change into systems contracting.

In August 1991, Richardson was assigned to research and development contracting at Wright Laboratory, Wright-Patterson AFB Ohio. From April 1993 to the present, she was the F-22 weapon system contracts manager of the contracting division of the F-22 System Program Office at the Aeronautical Systems Center at Wright-Patterson.

Richardson married to Bill Richardson. She is the daughter of the Rev. Roland and Ruthie H. Smith, of Pelham, N.C., and the daughter-in-law of Mattie and Mack Richardson.



## Winston-Salem Urban League receives Young award

League was the third place recipient of the Whitney M. Young Jr. Relations at the National Urban League Conference held in Washington, D.C., Aug. 2-9.

The award celebrates the exemplary work of affiliates and their CEOs in the area of race relations. It serves as a tool to elevate the status of race relations within the Urban League movement. It also helps affiliates maintain an ongoing focus on race relations. As a result of the award, the National Urban League is able to identify effective affiliate models for improving race relations; create a race relations database for use by Leagues throughout the country; and promote exemplary race relations to the public at large.

This year the local Urban League submitted an application for the award using its model of "Bridging the Gaps in Race Relations," which has been taken across North Carolina and has received rave reviews for its content and concepts.

The Winston-Salem Urban Urban League received \$1,000. of effecting change in attitudes. The award was accepted by 'D' Smith, president/CEO; and Victor Leadership Award in Race Johnson Jr., chairman of the board of directors.

Relations is a unique approach to reducing the incidents of racism. Its ideology is the holistic approach to understanding African-Americans and a mean's

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First introduced in Warren, Ohio, president/CEO of the Winston-Salem Urban League, the idea was Bridging the Gaps in Race introduced in this community in 1989. Since that time, the series of workshops has impacted such providers as social service agencies, parents, consumers, health and mental health personnel and

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law enforcement.

More recently, the Urban League entered into a partnership with the North Carolina Department of Human Resources, Division of Mental Health, Disabilities, Substance Abuse Services, to cosponsor these workshops in an effort to reducing inhibitors to culturally competent systems of care.

Monroe, in her letter of support to the National Urban League, said, "It was Mrs. Smith

who persuaded government officials to understand that the needs of ethnic minorities have increased during the past decade, and to acknowledge that these needs have not developed in a vacuum or in isolation of the larger sociopolitical influences occurring in society ... who cause government to commit to never shutting their eyes or turning their backs to opportunities that promise to make all of us more effective service providers."



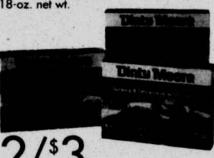
As the third place winner, the accepted the award on behalf of the League.







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