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MISS NINA MOORE
...N.C. Central sophomore

Lovely Nina Moore Is

Our Beauty For This Week

By Sherice McKoy
Post Staff Writer

Nina Moore, a Biology and Pre-Med major at North Carolina Central University in Durham, is our beauty for this week.

A sophomore, Nina finds college life exciting. "Oh, I love it," she said cheerfully. "It's a good experience in dealing with people and situations."

Recalling her first day in college, Nina said, "I'll never forget it. My parents got me all settled in. I was excited about being there, but after my parents left, I became hysterical because I didn't know anyone." But now she's

like an old pro. At N.C. Central, Nina is a member of the German Club, Program Board, SRA (freshman orientation program), and plans to become actively involved in SGA, the student governing body.

Nina's ambition is to attend Medical School and specialize in a branch of medicine. Though she hasn't decided what field she'll undertake, her goal is to become a medical doctor.

A native Californian, Nina was born in Los Angeles, her mother's homeland. While in the Navy, Nina's father, a Charlottean, met and married her mother there. They moved

to Charlotte thirteen years ago.

Nina, who visits Los Angeles often, said, "I plan to move there as soon as I graduate from college and maybe attend Medical School out there."

Nina's hobbies are sewing, dancing and playing the piano. A pianist for eleven years, she sometimes plays for her church, Mount Carmel Baptist.

Nina describes herself as a very versatile person and one who is very exciting when in the company of others.

An only child, Nina said that her mother has always been her tower of strength.

"She has always encouraged me to strive for the best so that I won't be left behind," Nina explained.

Someday, she "hopes to be happily married, travel to exciting places, be in the upper income bracket and be successful in my profession, too."

Meanwhile, Nina is contented to "take each day as it comes and to look a little ahead but not too far."

Nina is the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. James Moore.

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From Southern Christian Leadership Conference

Ben Chavis Receives Human Rights Award

By Eileen Hanson
Special to the Post

The Southern Christian Leadership Conference honored Rev. Benjamin Chavis August 15 with a special award for "Courage and Valor in the Struggle for Human Dignity."

The Honorable Walter E. Fauntroy, Chairman of SCLC's Board, presented the award during the 22nd annual convention of the civil rights organization meeting in Norfolk, Virginia, August 14-17.

The 1500 delegates at the banquet rose in standing ovation when the award was announced, signifying their support for the young North Carolina minister who went to Wilmington 8 years ago to calm an explosive racial confrontation.

However, Chavis was not present to accept the award and the ovation. He was denied permission to leave the Hillsborough (N.C.) prison where he is serving a 17-year

sentence as a member of the Wilmington 10 case.

His mother, Mrs. Elizabeth Chavis of Oxford, accepted the award in his behalf, accompanied by her two daughters, June Davenport and Francine Chavis.

Rev. Jesse Jackson, head of Operation PUSH, was the keynote speaker at the awards banquet. Jackson spoke of his recent trip to South Africa in support of the African liberation movement, and of the resignation of United Nations Ambassador Andrew Young.

According to Ms. Davenport, "The resignation of Young dominated the whole conference, everyone was speaking of it."

Young, one of the founders of SCLC and the highest placed black in President Jimmy Carter's administration, was to have been the keynote speaker at the awards banquet. However, the controversy over his resignation last week kept him in Washington.



Rev. Ben Chavis
...Political prisoner

Chavis, a minister in the United Church of Christ, is a 17-year veteran of the civil rights movement.

He earned a bachelor's degree in chemistry from the University of North Carolina, and attended Howard University School of Religion. He is presently studying for a master's degree at Duke University Divinity School on the

prison's study-release program.

His civil rights experience includes work with the late Dr. Martin Luther King Jr., SCLC, the Congress of Racial Equality, NAACP, the National Conference of Black Churches and the United Church of Christ Commission on Racial Justice.

In 1971 the Commission sent him to Wilmington, N.C. to help bring peace to a racially troubled city. Black high school students, demanding a black studies program and school celebrations of King's birthday, were met with violent attacks by the "Rights of White People" organization. The vigilante group attacked the black church where the young people met. One black teenager was killed by a sniper. A white-owned grocery store in the black neighborhood was firebombed, but nobody was hurt.

A year later then Attorney General Robert Morgan (now

U.S. Senator) brought charges for the fire against Chavis, 8 black teenagers and a white VISTA volunteer. In a highly politicized trial, the 10 were convicted of conspiracy and unlawful burning, and given sentences totaling 282 years.

Later the key witnesses for the state admitted they lied during the trial. However, all efforts to secure a new trial have failed.

The case attracted international attention and the "10" were designated "prisoners of conscience" by the Nobel Peace Prize recipient, Amnesty International.

In January 1978, Governor Jim Hunt responded to political pressure from concerned citizens in North Carolina and around the world by reducing the sentences, making the "10" eligible for earlier parole. All except Chavis are now out on parole. He will be considered in January of 1980.

Supporters continue to work

change your party affiliation, you need to come by one of the 40 locations and do so."

Culp said that a number of people were removed from active registration for failure to vote at least one time in four years. He said those people may still vote in the Primary September 25, "if nothing has changed since their registration." He said if something has changed, or if that person has not voted in eight consecutive years (4 years of active and 4 years of inactive status), they need to re-register.

"As of now we would probably have a Democratic Primary between mayoral candidates, Eddie Knox and Harvey Gantt, and the six at-large Democratic candidates who have filed," said Culp, who added that Republicans Rudy Hendricks and Rick Butler will not have a Primary unless two or more Republicans decided to file for one of the four City Council At-Large seats.

Culp explained that the Primary is a selection process by which the different parties choose whomever they want to represent them in the November elections. Culp said, "It is important for people to register and vote for the candidate of their choice instead of waiting for the November elections; because if that candidate does not make it through the primaries, his or her name will not be on the ballot come November."

Democratic candidates who have filed for City Council At-Large are Franklin Durham, Willie Payne, Betty Chaffin, John Harding, Dave Berryhill and Marnite Shuford.

"There were no new candidates other than (Dem) Laura Frech, who filed today," Culp said Tuesday. District candidates (Dem) Charlie Dannelly (District 2), (Dem) John Burnette (District 3), (Dem) Don Carroll (District 7), (Rep) George Selden (District 10), and (Dem) Ron Leeper, with the addition of Laura Frech will have no need for a Primary, according to the Elections Office.

August 24 will be the last day of filing.

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Two Voter Registration Drives Set

By Eileen Hanson
Special to the Post

In a final push to register 1,000 new black voters before the City Council primary, the Vote Task Force announces two voter registration drives for Saturday, August 25.

In District 3 the Wilmore in Action Community Organization and Carolina Action will sponsor a voter registration drive Saturday from 2-5 p.m. at Abbott Park, near Merriam and West Boulevard.

The District 7 voter registration drive will be held in Pine Valley, off Pineville Road, also on Saturday from 1-4 p.m.

The Vote Task Force will provide transportation for anyone needing it. Call 333-8701, 333-1052, or 333-0907.

Any citizen 18 years or over may register. Those who are 17 years old but will have their 18th birthday before September 25 may also register. No fee or test is required. Voters will be asked place of residence, age and party affiliation (if any).

Anyone who has moved or who has not voted in the last 4 years must re-register to be eligible to vote in the primary.

The final day to register before the September primary is Monday, August 27. Registration is also available at all public libraries, all branches of Mechanics and Farmers Bank, First Union Bank and the Board of Elections at 710 East 4th Street.

The Vote Task Force is a non-partisan organization working to increase voter registration and education in the black community. Samuel Reid is chairman, and Lonnie Graves is Vice Chairman.

According to Graves, by mid-August 600 blacks had registered as new voters. A voter's drive Sunday, August 19 at First Mt. Zion Church on Remount Road registered another 90 voters.

With Harvey Gantt running for mayor and several blacks running for City Council seats, political interest is mounting in the black community.



TAKING THE OATH during voter registration is Ms. Hazel Dawkins, Campaign Treasurer for City Council Candidate Willie Payne. PHOTO BY PEELER

In September Primary

There Are Only Four Days

Left To Register To Vote

By William J. Crutchfield
Post Staff Writer

Officials of the Mecklenburg County Board of Elections reminds eligible voters that August 27 is the deadline for registration for the September 25 Primary.

Statistics from the Board of Elections Office August 1 show that there are 26,024 Blacks registered to vote in Mecklenburg County.

These statistics show that Black registration is only 50 percent of its potential. The statistics stated that out of 58,000 Blacks eligible for registration, only 26,024 have registered, leaving 31,976 eligible voters who have not registered.

Spokesman for the Board of Elections, Supervisor Bill Culp said that there have been an estimated 500 to 600 more additions to the Black registration total since August 1 and according to Culp, there will be approximately 1,200 more additions to add to that

total by August 27.

The Board of Elections has provided 40 sites throughout the city to make registration convenient.

Eligible voters may register at one of the 16 public libraries, one of the 20 First Union Bank branches, one of the 2 Mechanics and Farmers Bank branches, Mobile City Hall, Town Hall, and the Election Office, which will be open on Saturdays from 10 a.m. to 4 p.m. through November.

According to the Elections office, a person may register to vote if he is 18 years of age or older, and has been a legal resident of Mecklenburg County and North Carolina for 30 days by the date of the election.

Culp explains, "If you have not registered in Mecklenburg County before, then you need to register." He continued, "If you have moved to a different voting precinct since registering in Mecklenburg, or have changed your name, or wish to

Government To Play Major Role

Special to the Post

Under Secretary of Commerce Luther H. Hodges this week announced substantial changes in federal effort to bring minority businesses into the mainstream of the American economy.

Hodges said the department is upgrading and expanding its current minority business development program under a new federal entity called the Minority Business Development Agency (MBDA). The new agency will replace the Department's 10-year-old Office of Minority Business Enterprise (OMBE).

According to Hodges, the reorganization of the Department's minority business program is designed to help minority businesses develop into medium and large-sized firms in growth industries that produce jobs, add stability to communities, and improve the overall economy.

"Minority business is no longer all 'mom and pop' stores struggling for survival in ghettos," Hodges said. "Terms of the overall national economy, \$35 billion in receipts from minority business enterprise may seem like a small sum. But it reflects some very substantial progress."

"For another capital formation is now high on the list of

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Dr. Martin L. King Sr.
...Mayfield speaker

Dr. King To Speak Here

Sunday Morning

Dr. Martin Luther King, Sr., father of the slain civil rights leader Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr., will be Laymen's Day speaker at Mayfield Memorial Baptist Church on Sunday, August 26, at 11 a.m.

The annual Laymen's Day observance will begin with a Laymen's Day Breakfast being served at 8 a.m. with the famous Mayfield chef Tee T. King in charge. Sunday Church School will begin at 9:30 a.m. with an all-male teaching staff. The 11 a.m. corporate worship service will find the men of Mayfield serving as the choir and ushers as well.

The 1979 "Mayfield Man of the Year" will be named as has been decided by the congregation in secret balloting. Baptist Training Union, meeting at 5 p.m., will be staffed by men, and the concluding 6 p.m. worship service will feature an address given by the 1978 "Mayfield Man of the Year", Ben Worthy, Sr.



The only thing that you can get for a DOLLAR these days is change.