



Mrs. Billye Collins
...Gains top honors

**Mrs. Collins
Named President
of YWCA**

"Our One Imperative: The Elimination of Racism" is the motto of Charlotte's Young Women's Christian Association (YWCA). The Association has taken a giant leap towards that elimination by appointing the first black President of the Charlotte YWCA in its 82 year history.

Billye Collins was one of several names considered by a special committee of the YWCA. The Board of Directors made the final decision to have her serve the one year term and to manage the largest women's organization in the city. The YWCA has over 12,000 members including an International Committee composed of 30 ladies from other countries (The 1984 Outstanding YWCA Member Lanui Hoover is a member of this committee).

The YWCA in Charlotte is also one of the 10 largest YWCA's on the Eastern Seaboard. Diligently, Mrs. Collins plans to work on the mission of the Y - the elimination of racism. "It's important to me because I am a black woman and I want to be a part of the elimination of racism," Mrs. Collins conveyed.

By interaction, special educational programs and by reaching out to communities, the Y is bridging many of society's gaps. "We would like to reach more low income individuals by providing scholarships so many can participate in programs in their areas."

The Planning Committee of the Y also has long range plans. "I plan to continue with the goals and objectives outlined in our three-year-plan, and hope that the YWCA continues to grow and thrive."

Mrs. Collins and her husband, Dr. Limone Collins came to Charlotte 11 years ago from Prairie View, TX.

For eight years Mrs. Collins has served as a volunteer and Board Member of the YWCA.



The recently crowned "Miss St. Paul," Ruth Forman, accepts gift certificate from Romaine Worth, owner of Sunshine Beauty Salon.

**Mrs. Ruth Forman Captures
"Miss St. Paul, 1984-85" Title**

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There were several ladies vying for the title of "Miss St. Paul," but there could only be one winner. By the evening's end, Mrs. Ruth Forman had walked off with the honor and distinction of being "Miss St. Paul," 1984-85. The honoring of "Miss St.

Paul" concluded the Women's Day celebration recently held at the church.

For winning the title Mrs. Forman received a beautiful crown, a bouquet of red roses, a plaque and a gift certificate from the Sunshine Beauty Salon for any service that she prefers.

Mrs. Forman is the wife of Ernest Forman. They are the parents of four children, the grandparents of eight and the great grandparents of two.

Representing the ushers of the church, Mrs. Forman expressed both surprise and excitement at being announced the winner. She contributes her success to the ushers and close friends who supported her.

This year's theme for Woman's Day was "Let Us Strive To Put Christ Into Every Home." The guest speaker for the morning worship was Dr. Bertha Maxwell, director of Black Studies at UNCC.

UNCC Names Department Heads

The University of North Carolina at Charlotte has named four new department heads and has divided its department of Creative Arts into two departments - performing arts and visual arts.

Jack Beasley has been appointed chairperson of the Department of Performing Arts, and Donald Byrum has been appointed chairperson of the Department of Visual Arts.

Dr. James Edward Lyons was named chairperson of the Department

of Educational Administration with the College of Education and Allied Professions. The associate professor came to UNCC in 1979 and holds the B.S. degree from Elizabeth City State University, the M.A. from East Carolina University and the Ph.D. from Ohio State University.

Dr. Richard H. Toenjes has been appointed chairperson of the Department

of Philosophy. Beasley served a previous term as chairperson of the combined units of creative arts. Both he and Byrum have been serving as associate chairpersons of the two units during the past year.

Dr. Toenjes, who is an associate professor of philosophy, came to UNCC in 1973 and holds the B.A. and M.A. degrees from St.

Louis University and the Ph.D. degree from the University of Michigan. He is an active artist and has exhibited widely.

Beasley came to UNCC in 1972 and holds the B.A. from Vanderbilt University and the M.F.A. degree from the University of Georgia. Beasley has directed a number of plays and has acted in several at UNCC.

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