

National Issues Forum

Charlotte area citizens have a chance to make their concerns known about America's most pressing national issues through participation in the annual Issues Forum.

This year's forum is sponsored by the University of North Carolina at Charlotte's Urban Institute, Leadership Charlotte, and The Charlotte Observer.

Questions to be discussed this year include: "Taxes: Who Should Pay and Why?" "Welfare: Who Should Be Entitled to Public Help?" and "The Soviets: What is the Conflict About?"

The National Issues Forum is a non-partisan education and citizen feedback program. Issues will be discussed in small study groups, citywide public forums, call-in programs on television station WTVM, and special guest editorials in The Charlotte Observer.

Information on how to form a study group, including the use of free video and audio materials, is available from the UNCC Urban Institute. Study books are available for \$3 each. For further information, call Phil Fleming afternoons from 1-5 p.m., at the Urban Institute, 597-2367.

Citywide forums are planned: Tax Reform—November 20, Park Road YWCA at 7:30 p.m.; Welfare State, United Way Auditorium, at 7:30 p.m.; January 29; Soviet Relations, the Unitarian Church at 7:30 p.m., February 24.

Sigma Gamma Rho

Members of the Sigma Gamma Rho Philo Club recently toured the historical city of Charleston, S.C. While there, the group visited the Marketplace, a historical site where slaves were sold. The group also noted that although much of the Marketplace had been destroyed, most of its past remained intact. With the assistance of a guide, the group was able to tour many of Charleston's and surrounding islands' highlights. The trip concluded with a cruise to historical Fort Sumter.

A civic organization, the Sigma Gamma Rho Philo Club has recently adopted a family as part of its commitment to community involvement.

Mrs. Peggy McClain, president of the organization, coordinated the trip to Charleston.

Delta Sigma Theta

The Charlotte Alumni Chapter of the Delta Sigma Theta Sorority, Inc. will meet on October 12 at 5 p.m. at Belmont Center, located at 700 Parkwood Ave.

The attendance of all Delta members in the Charlotte area will be greatly appreciated.

Elaine Brown is president of the chapter and Doris Guest is vice president.

Teen Hotline

The YWCA is pleased to announce the re-connection of the Teen Hotline on October 15.

The goal is to provide Charlotte teens with accurate information and referrals regarding human sexuality, substance abuse, suicide, etc.

The Hotline will be in operation Monday through Friday, 9:30 p.m. - 5:30 p.m. The number is 333-TALK. The phones will be manned by peer helpers who are trained in listening and referral skills.

All calls will be confidential.

NCCU Alumni Meeting

The North Carolina Central University Alumni Association will hold its monthly meeting Wednesday, October 9, at 7:30 p.m. at the Excelsior Club, located on Beatties Ford Rd.

Plans are in progress for the alumni's annual "High School Visitation Day," set for Saturday, October 12. Area high school students will be transported to Durham free of charge via Trailways to visit the NCCU's campus, its facilities and to watch a college football game.

Raffle tickets may also be purchased for a chance to win the 1985 automobile that will be given away at Homecoming, Saturday, November 2.

For further information on any of these events, contact any alumni member.

Roots And Reunions

"Mommy, Daddy, where did I come from?" WomanReach will offer a panel discussion for adult adoptees and birth mothers called "Adoption: Special Feelings About Roots and Reunion For Adoptees," on October 5, Wednesday, from 8-9:30 p.m. at the WomanReach Center, facilitated by Janice Shaver.

The WomanReach Center is a United Way agency. The facilities are handicapped accessible and services are freely given and freely received.

For more information, call a WomanReach peer counselor, Monday through Saturday, from 10 a.m. until 4 p.m., at 334-3614.



Kim Kendall, a 16-year-old junior at Independence High School, has won a first place trophy in the National Early Bird Tournament held at Wake Forest University on September 21-22. Speech and debate teams nationwide participated. Ms. Kendall competed in the poetry-prose category with material from Nizage Shanze's "For Colored Girls Who Wanna Commit Suicide and The Rainbow is ENUF." In this, her first tournament, Ms. Kendall competed against students from 79 schools. She was awarded a silver bowl, which she presented to her coaches, Sheila May and Willie Jordan, and her principal, Samuel Dillard.

Pfeiffer College Appoints MBA Coordinator

Misenheimer - Pfeiffer College announces the appointment of Dr. Charles R. Spruill as associate professor and coordinator of the Master of Business Administration Program.

Dr. Spruill holds a doctorate in economics from Southern Illinois University, as well as degrees from the University of Houston and Old Dominion University.

Dr. Spruill and the MBA program are based on the Charlotte campus at 1416 E. Morehead St.

He was previously associate professor in the Department of Economics at Appalachian State University in Boone. He has published extensively including two scholarly books.

He is a registered stockbroker and former vice president of Financial Solutions, Ltd., a financial planning firm.

Dr. Spruill's business experience reflects the college's policy of seeking MBA faculty who not only have the appropriate academic credentials but who have also worked successfully in the business community.

"We are delighted to have someone with Dr. Spruill's excellent business and academic background to coordinate our new MBA program," said Dr. Cameron West, president of Pfeiffer College. "He will bring practical experience and sound teaching skills to the classroom."

Dr. Spruill and his wife, Pat, an assistant vice president and financial planning officer at NCNB, live in Myers Park.

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