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**Lynn Slaughter**  
.....Endearing, young lady

## Pretty Lynn Slaughter Aspires To Become Certified Public Accountant

By Jalyne Strong  
Post Staff Writer

Lynn Slaughter is the pretty teller who greets people at NCNB Bank on Morehead St. Many of the people who meet her probably find the personable young lady to be quite endearing. And the feeling is mutual. According to Lynn, "I like my job, especially the customers. Most of them are sweet."

"I like my co-workers, too," adds the 24-year-old teller who began her banking career in Orlando, Florida, working for Sun Bank. "I've been in the banking field for five and one-half years," she tells.

Lynn plans to expand her horizons in the field. "I'll be going back to school in the fall," she projects, "to major in business administration." Her aspiration is to become a CPA. "It's going to take a lot of work," Lynn believes. "But I know I can do it."

Hailing from Orlando, Lynn has only been in Charlotte for three and one-half months. Though she spent several years in Florida, she was born and raised in Lakewood, New Jersey.

About Charlotte, Lynn comments, "It's a nice place. The people here are really friendly and I've met a lot of new people. Some parts of the city are beautiful, too."

However, so sorry, Charlotte just does not compare to Orlando, according to this week's beauty. And homesickness is something she's having to deal with. "I loved Orlando," she wistfully sighs. "The scenery there is so beautiful. I have a lot of friends there and enjoyed working there."

"Of course," replies the former Floridian, she's been to Disney World. "Too many times," Lynn laughs.

The reason she's traveled from New Jersey, to Florida, and finally to Charlotte is, explains Lynn, because her father is a minister with the Church of God and over the years he's been called to churches in these areas. Asked how does she like having a minister for a father, Lynn states thoughtfully, "It's fine now that I'm grown." With a smile she recalls being picked on when she was younger. "Other kids would always yell, 'Preacher's daughter! Preacher's daughter!'" Those days behind her, Lynn now relates, "But it's nice growing up in the church. We've acquired a lot of values. I know who God is and will never forget Him."

Lynn has two brothers, Alphonso, 23, and Donald, 25, and one sister, Debra, 27. She remembers growing up as being "fun," since she and her

siblings are all close in age. They still maintain a close relationship, says Lynn, though they are separated now. Her brothers have remained in Florida and her sister lives in Atlanta, Ga. Lynn also has a nephew, Eric, 10-years-old, who she's very fond of.

Her mother, Lovie, is the person she most admires. Lynn notes, "Over the years my mother's shown a lot of strength and has kept our family together even through the rough times. And through it all, she's always been a best friend to me. I can talk to her about anything."

This week's beauty describes herself as a "private" type of person. Yet she is also "caring and fun-loving." Her favorite activities are going to the movies and the parks

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*As Executive Director*

## Rev. Benjamin Chavis Takes Agency In New Directions

Special To The Post

Durham - The Rev. Dr. Benjamin F. Chavis Jr. will be installed here April 27 as the executive director of the Commission for Racial Justice of the 1.7 million member United Church of Christ. The service will be held in Duke University Chapel at 7 p.m.

Since his election as head of the Commission in late 1985, Dr. Chavis has already begun to take the national church civil rights agency in some new directions. He has been an initiator of the new Freedom Rides to defend the rights of voters in the Black Belt of Alabama and has given leadership to a campaign to spur economic development in minority communities.

He has also maintained the 23-year-old Commission's attempts to end apartheid in South Africa, acting as a leader in the movement for divestment from companies with operations there, and has continued the church agency's historic criminal justice efforts, most recently through the dispatch of an investigator to follow up on information challenging the conviction of Darryl E. Hunt in Winston-Salem.

Himself imprisoned in North Carolina on false charges for four-and-a-half years as the best known of the Wilmington Ten, Dr. Chavis describes his installation as, "in a sense, a victory celebration over all the trials and tribulations of the past."

The event will be held in the United Church of Christ's Southern Conference, where the majority of the denomination's black churches are located, because "I wanted this to be an opportunity to celebrate the black church in the United Church of Christ," Dr. Chavis explains. "In fact, the order of service will focus on the African-American Christian tradition."

North Carolina is Dr. Chavis' home state, where he worked for many years in the civil rights movement. The Southern Conference, headquartered in Burlington, is



**Rev. Benjamin Chavis**  
.....To be installed Sunday

where he has ministerial standing, and Duke is where he received his Master of Divinity degree.

Featured speakers at the installation include the Rev. Dr. Avery D. Post, New York, president of the United Church of Christ; the Rev. Dr. Charles E. Cobb, Washington, D.C., director emeritus of the Commission for Racial Justice; and the Rev. Dr. Yvonne V. Delk, New York, executive director of the United Church of Christ's Office for Church in Society.

The internationally-acclaimed Chuck Davis African-American Dance Ensemble will perform an African liturgical dance during the ceremony, and a mass gospel choir, with representatives from any of the 140 black United Church of Christ congregations in North Carolina and Virginia, will provide music.

The installation follows a meeting of the Commission for Racial Justice commissioners, slated for April 25-26 in Durham's Hilton Inn.

A native of Oxford, NC, Dr. Chavis holds a B.A. degree from the University of North Carolina at Charlotte. In addition to graduating magna cum laude with an M. Div. from Duke, he has earned a D. Min. from Howard University, Washington, DC, and has completed course requirements for a Ph.D. at Union Theological Seminary, New York City. He is an ordained minister in the United Church of Christ.

The United Church of Christ is a 1987 union of the Evangelical and Reformed Church and the Congregational Christian Churches. Its Commission for Racial Justice works with churches, interfaith groups, and communities to combat discrimination and secure justice for blacks and other minorities.

## Three Outstanding Women Vie For NAACP's Mother Of The Year Contest

By Bonita Hardin  
Post Staff Writer

Three outgoing mothers will participate in the Charlotte branch NAACP's "Mother of the Year" contest. Established years ago, the contest recognizes women for their achievements and for the purpose of funding such a vital part of the community. This year's contestants are: Ms. Shirley Chisholm, Ms. Barbara Israel, and Ms. Geraldine S. Mason.

Ms. Shirley Chisholm, an employee of Lance Packaging Company, self-employed hair stylist and part-time model for Sophisticated Ladies and Gents of Rock Hill, South Carolina, anticipates becoming "Mother of the Year." She believes it is important for her children and grandchildren to know about the NAACP (all are members), Black History and their heritage. Ms. Chisholm says that her family is indeed an "NAACP family" and being involved in this contest has been an invaluable learning experience for her and her children. She is the mother of three, lovely daughters, two sons, and four grandchildren. She is active in the NAACP Membership Committee and the Black Political Caucus.

Ms. Barbara Israel, banking officer at Wachovia Bank has been in their employ for seven years. Her main purpose for run-



**Geraldine Mason**  
.....Eager to serve

ning as a contestant is to raise money for the NAACP. "It does not matter who wins, only that an organization that helps all people in all areas of need is being funded," she said.

She is the mother of one son, Joshua Samuel and attends Friendship Baptist Church. She is a member of the NAACP Finance Committee, Women's Auxiliary and the Board of Directors for the Neighborhood Housing Services of Charlotte, Inc.



**Barbara Israel**  
.....Desires to raise funds

Ms. Geraldine J. Mason, Renewal Control Technician at Kemper Insurance Company, is a member of the Black Political Caucus, the Mental Health Alliance Association, the Kemper Social Club as well as an active member of the Charlotte NAACP. She believes her involvement both in church and civic organizations will enable her to serve the community as Charlotte's next "Mother of the Year." Ms. Mason is the mother of two sons and is the proud grandmother of four.



**Shirley Chisholm**  
.....Stresses black history

The NAACP, the nation's oldest and largest civil rights organization established in the community will use the funds raised from this project to help carry out its objectives of serving and protecting the basic rights guaranteed to every American.

Anyone wishing to make a tax deductible contribution to either of the contestants may make checks payable to: NAACP, 112 North Irwin Ave., Charlotte, N.C. 28202.

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