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## Key Posts Make Congressional Black Caucus A Potent Force

Washington, D.C.—Seniority and key legislative posts are making the Congressional Black Caucus a potent and dominant force in the 100th Congress.

The 23 members of the caucus, all Democrats and the largest number of Blacks ever to serve in the U.S. House of Representatives, will be represented on 25 of the 28 standing and select committees of the House. Seventeen caucus members have already been selected to chair seven committees and 18 subcommittees, providing the caucus with an excellent opportunity to wield considerable clout in the legislative process.

All 19 black incumbents in the House won re-election. They are being joined by four freshmen: Kweisi Mfume of Maryland, Floyd Flake of New York, John Lewis of Georgia and Mike Espy of Mississippi, the first Black Congressman from that state to sit in Congress since Reconstruction and the only black member from a rural district.

The dean of the caucus, Congressman Augustus Hawkins of California will again chair the important committee on Education and Labor. Another California congressman, Ron Dellums, will continue as chairman of both the committee on the District of Columbia and the vital subcommittee on Military Installations and Facilities.

Congressman William Gray of Pennsylvania will continue as the



Rep. Charles Rangel Congressional watchdog on Federal spending through his chairmanship of the House Budget Committee. Representative Louis Stokes of Ohio will assume the reins of this powerful permanent select committee investigating the Reagan administration's covert arms transactions with Iran.



Rep. Cardiss Collins administration for better programs through his chairmanship of the Select Committee on Narcotics Abuse and Control. Rangel and Harold Ford of Tennessee also chair two important subcommittees of the powerful House Ways and Means Committee, the subcommittee on Select Revenue Measures and the Subcommittee on Public Assistance and Unemployment Compensation. Leland also directs the Subcommittee on Postal Operations and Services.



Rep. William Gray tion over legislation relating Caribbean and Central and America.

Crockett's Michigan colleague John Conyers will continue to monitor the activities of the chair of the Judiciary's Subcommittee on Crime, Justice and Representative Fauntroy takes over as the head of the House Banking committee on International Development, Institutions and Finance.

Representative Cardiss Collins of Illinois, the only woman in the caucus will chair the Subcommittee on Government, Activities and Transportation and her Illinois colleague, Gus Savage will lead the Public Works Subcommittee on Economic Development.

Congressman William Clay of Missouri will oversee the operations of the Subcommittee on Labor-Management Relations and Congressman Major Owens of New York will chair the Subcommittee on Select Education. Both panels are in the House Committee on Education and Labor.

The new chairman of the Congressional Black Caucus is Mervyn Dymally of California. He is also the chairman of the District of Columbia's Subcommittee on Judiciary and Education and the Post Office's Subcommittee on Census and Population.

Congressman Alan Wheat of Kansas, a member of the House Rules committee will chair the D.C. Subcommittee on Government Operations and Metropolitan Affairs.

Other members of the caucus are Congressman Ed Towns of New York and Congressman Charles Hayes of Illinois.



Sheila Carlton UNCC student

## Sheila Carlton Hopes To Own Retail Store Chain

By Russell Clark Post Staff Writer

Not too long ago, Sheila Carlton was a student at Alexander Central High School in Taylorsville taking in awards for her scholastic excellence and extracurricular activities.

Now, she is still in form as a sophomore majoring in business at UNC-Charlotte.

At age 20, she is a 1985 graduate of Alexander Central. In high school, she won the Academic Scholarship Award from President Ronald Reagan, she was selected as a member of Who's Who Among High School Students and Outstanding senior in her class. Her achievements outside of the classroom includes Homecoming Queen in 1984-85, and captain of the cheerleading squad.

As UNCC she's featured on this month's "Miss Dream" calendar. She is also won the "Miss Ebony" pageant sponsored by the

Footfills and will appear in parades all across the Carolinas.

Currently she is taking 13 hours and her classes include accounting, acting, criminal justice and micro calculus. "After I graduate, I plan to go back to Taylorsville and work for my dad's trucking company to get some experience," she says with confidence. "One day, I want to have my own chain of retail stores," projects this week's beauty who comes from a business-oriented family.

Born to Mitchell and Helen Anthony of Taylorsville, she has two brothers, Mitchel Junior, 18, and Micheal, 17. "Our family gets along well and I enjoy going to the movies and to ball games with my brothers.

When not busy, she likes skating, dancing, shopping and going to the movies.

Sheila describes herself as outgoing, assertive, dependable, trustworthy and sincere.

## Black Experience Workshop

Chapel Hill - Self-help traditions among blacks will be the subject of the eighth annual Black Experience Workshop for social workers and practitioners March 19-20 at the University of North Carolina at Chapel Hill.

"The Black Experience: Building on Self-Help Traditions," sponsored by the UNC School of Social

Work, will be held in the Frank Porter Graham Student Union.

The workshop will focus on black family life, physical and mental health, economic concerns, employment, and religion.

Speakers will include Dr. Agnes D. Lettmer, medical director of Cook County Hospital in Chicago, IL; Dr. John Hope Franklin, James B. Duke professor emeritus at Duke University; Dr. Earlie E. Thomas, professor at N.C. Central University; and Benjamin Ruffin, director of public affairs for R. J. Reynolds-Nabisco.

The conference will begin at 7:30 p.m., March 19, with a free, public discussion of self-help traditions in the black community by Lettmer in 111 Murphrey Hall.

Registration fee is \$30. The fee includes all sessions and refreshments. Enrollment is limited.

## Upcoming Conference Focuses On Plight, Future Of Black Family

Hampton University and the National Hampton Alumni Association will present the Ninth annual Black Family Conference beginning Wednesday, March 18-20, in the McGrew Towers Conference Center. The theme this year is "The Black Family in 1987: Moving Beyond Rhetoric."

The Black Family Conference is designed as a forum focusing the attention of America's foremost black scholars and authorities on the broad range of factors impinging on the plight and future of the black family. It will offer workshops in: Education; Politics;

will be Dr. James D. McGhee, psychologist, researcher and social science analyst from Atlanta, Georgia. It is free and open to the public, and will offer workshops in Children Becoming Parents, Spiritual and Moral Values, Family Violence and the Legal System.

Thursday at 9:30 a.m. in Ogden Hall the Opening Session will also be free and open to the public. It will feature keynote speaker Dr. Earl B. Moore, deputy commissioner of New York State Office of Corrections. He will address the topic "Black Families Incarcerated: Message from America's Prisons."

Also at the Opening Session, Dr. William R. Harvey, president of HU, will present this year's Honored Black Family Award. The family to be honored will be chosen on their leadership in civic, community and religious affairs, mutual respect and concern for others, family togetherness, and educational achievements.

Special events for the conference will include: a theatre production by the Hampton Players entitled "Home," on Thursday, 8 p.m., in the Armstrong Little Theater; a special preview for the Countess Cullen Art Collection held in the University Museum, on Thursday from 6-7:30 p.m.; Health Screening on Thursday from 4:30-7:30 in the lobby of McGrew Towers; and the Hampton University Choir will perform during the Opening Session.

On Friday there will be a closing luncheon which will include guest speaker Dr. Bruce Williams from the Rockefeller Foundation in New York City.

Fees for the conference are as follows: \$45 - Includes conference workshops and two luncheons; \$30 - workshops only; \$35 - workshops & lunch (3/19); \$40 - workshops & luncheon (3/20); \$20 - senior citizens (does not include lunch or closing luncheon).

For additional information regarding full registration and workshops, call 727-5400.

## National Urban League To Mobilize Community

There is an alarming crisis in the educational achievement levels of black youths, exceptionally high dropout rates among them, and a decline in black college enrollment.

The Charlotte-Mecklenburg Urban League has made public education its top priority and announces its participation in a five-year National Urban League campaign called the Education Initiatives Project designed to improve black educational performance.

"The Education Initiatives Project will mobilize the community to define key issues, maximize use of existing resources, build coalitions and support for change, and implement concrete action plans," says Madine Hester Falls, president of the Charlotte-Mecklenburg Urban League. The local Urban League has appointed a special 25-member Task Force to develop and implement Charlotte-Mecklenburg's Initiatives. The Task Force will be led by retired Charlotte-Mecklenburg Schools official Barbara Davis. The group will hold its first meeting at 12:30 p.m. on Friday, March 13, in the Auditorium of the AME Zion Publishing House, located at the corner of S. Brevard and East Second streets in uptown Charlotte.

The Task Force will have support and technical assistance from the National Urban League. NUL affiliates in 113 cities across the country include school districts that educate two million black children, a third of all students in the nation. The plans developed by the Task Force are scheduled to be completed by the end of June.

