Young Democrats prez readies for national convention

By P.J. Waicus Staff Writer

If Bo knows sports, then University senior Katherine Wilson knows poli-

Wilson, a 20-year old Gastonia native, will attend the 1992 Democratic National Convention as the youngest delegate in N.C. history.

Wilson, president of the UNC Young Democrats and treasurer of the N.C. Federation of College Democrats, has the family ties to go along with her own

political interests, "My uncle, Bill Friday, is the president emeritus of the UNC system," she said. "Also, my aunt and grandfather were involved in politics, so it's been a family thing.'

Friday said Wilson's accomplishment had nothing to do with their rela-

"I don't think anyone knew we were kin because we have different last names, and the only people who found out that we were kin was because Katherine told them," he said. "I think she's been selected because of her hard work and her

efforts in organizing the Young Demo-

Wilson, a political science major, said she first became interested in going to the national convention during the spring semester. "I filled out a delegate application, and it only asked for a name, address, race and gender," she said, "I didn't think that was enough to decide who should be chosen."

To improve her chances, Wilson sent letters to the N.C. Democratic Nominating Committee. "I told them that I thought a young person should go to the convention, and they believed me," she

Christopher Geis, spokesman for the N.C. Democratic Party, said he thought Wilson definitely had earned her delegation. "It's very unusual for someone so young to be a delegate, but Katherine has done a lot for the Democratic Party, or she would not have been selected as a delegate," he said.

Wilson was selected from a group of 80 applicants as one of 18 at-large del-

"Usually it's well-balanced, but this year they were looking for more women to go," she said. "But I think I would have gone anyway because of my hard work and determination."

Geis said earning a trip to the convention was no easy task. "Becoming a delegate is almost like running for office - there is much campaigning to be

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Karen Wilson is North Carolina's youngest delegate to the Democratic convention

done," he said. "It's much more than iust a matter of asking to become a delegate."

Wilson, a pledged Bill Clinton delegate, said she was looking forward to the excitement of the Convention, which begins Monday at New York City's Madison Square Garden.

"The three objectives of the convention are to adopt a party platform, elect a presidential nominee and elect a vice-

presidential nominee," she said, "I think we're going to hear from Jerry Brown, and there will be some confusion until Clinton announces his running mate. I think he'll pick a U.S. senator or someone from a government position who has dealt with the 50

Wilson said she was proud to represent the younger voters at the convention. "I'll be pushing for this election to

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focus on the young people," she said. "We have a Young Democrats platform which I will take with me to show we

are involved. Wilson also said she was excited about attending such an important event.

"There will be 4,000 delegates total," and 6,000 press members," she said. "I found out our state will be located near the front and right next to the press section, which should be really fun."

Wilson said she thought the outcome of the presidential race would be difficult to predict.

"I think Clinton's got a very good chance," she said. "Of course, I'm biased, but we'll have to wait and see. One recent poll showed him to be ahead, but it keeps changing."

But Wilson said she thought the Democratic Party would fare better if Ross Perot was an announced candi-

"A three-man race definitely benefits Clinton more than it would hurt him," she said. "But I think issues will be the key aspect of the next three months.

Campus Calendar

THURSDAY 5:15 p.m. The Black Interdemoninational Student Association will sponsor a bible-study fellowship meeting in the BISA office, located in the Wesley Foundation Building, 214 Pittsboro St.

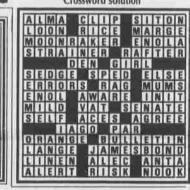
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