Our vision is a university community that consistently and enthusiastically fosters, supports and celebrates the achievement of Black employees at the University of North Carolina at Chapel Hill.

CBC Updates – The End of the 2011 Fall Semester
“News You Can Use”

“Holiday Social” – Friday, December 16th – 4:30 p.m. - Carolina Club

Join us as we eat, drink, and be merry this holiday season. We will celebrate our faith, friendships, and our highest-ranking Black administrators. We appreciate their service and commitment to our community. Special thanks to Wayne Blair, Winston Crisp, Brenda Malone, Jackie Overton, Ann Penn, and Dwayne Pinkney! Note: The Chancellor, senior administrators, and Deans are also invited to this event. Look for your official electronic invitation in your inbox!

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CBC Activities

1. No December Monthly Meeting

2. January Monthly Meeting – “State of the U” with Chancellor Thorp – January 11, 2012 – 11:30 a.m. - Union 3102. A “don’t miss” meeting!

3. February Black History Month:

   • **Read-In (Date TBD)** – Contact Wayne Blair (wblair@email.unc.edu) to assist in the planning of our second annual event to celebrate our ethnicity. Students, staff, faculty, and administrators read their favorite poems and literature from the African Diaspora. We also honor our people and history through song, dance, and spoken word. This special event culminates with scrumptious servings of cuisine (e.g., soul food,
Caribbean, African, and Latino dishes) from the African culture.

- “An Arts Night Out” – Monday, February 13, 2012 with the Alvin Ailey American Dance Theater. This second annual event is in partnership with Carolina Performing Arts. (http://www.carolinaperformingarts.org/) The Caucus receives complimentary tickets to the performance. Support CPA!

CBC HOSPITALITY

Who is new on campus? No one should ever feel isolated. We want to know if there are new hires (faculty, staff, administrators, coaches, post-docs, etc.) or retirements in your unit or department. We wish to welcome them to the university. Send information and your good news to: cbcinfo@unc.edu

CBC INTERESTS

Are you a UNC techie? (Do you know one?) We want to connect you with others on campus through BIT (Blacks in Technology) Send a note to oj_mcghee@unc.edu
Congratulations to new Department of African and Afro-American (AFRAM) Studies chairperson, Dr. Eunice Sahle! She will become the department’s new chair on Jan. 1, 2012.

Congratulations to new Department of Chemistry chairperson, Dr. Valerie Ashby! She will become the department’s new chair on July 1, 2012.

The Department of Political Science makes two key hires! Congratulations to Christopher Clark, new tenure-track professor, and Andrea Benjamin (2010 tenure-track hire) as they move forward to enhance the UNC brand in the discipline of race and ethnic politics.

Spike Lee visits UNC on Tuesday, December 6 (Memorial) – 6:00 p.m. The Academy Award nominated director will discuss his experiences as a black filmmaker in Hollywood and his role in the progression of African American film culture and racism in the media. Tickets are $15.

Institute of African American Research (IAAR) Update

Reginald Hildebrand (AFRAM) is leading a team of committed associates in the effort to strengthen and mobilize support for IAAR. The revised website is more useful and interesting for researchers and friends. Check out http://iaar.unc.edu/ for more details on activities and information.
Race: Are We So Different? Durham’s Museum of Life + Science – Through January 22, 2012. RACE, developed by the American Anthropological Association in collaboration with the Science Museum of Minnesota, is an award winning interactive exhibition. This exhibit is the first of its kind to tell the stories of race from the biological, cultural, and historical points of view. The exhibition brings together the everyday experience of living with race, its history as an idea, the role of science in that history, and the findings of contemporary science that are challenging its foundations. Combining these perspectives offers an unprecedented look at race and racism in the United States. For more information http://www.ncmls.org/visit/events/RACE

2011-12 Student Ambassadors: Warche Downing, Asia Johnson, Malia Melvin, and Myles Robinson

Renew/Join the Caucus at http://www.unc.edu/cbc/joinform.html

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“In every community, there is work to be done. In every nation, there are wounds to heal. In every heart, there is the power to do it.”
M. Williamson