

***Martin Luther King, Jr.
Celebration Lecture***

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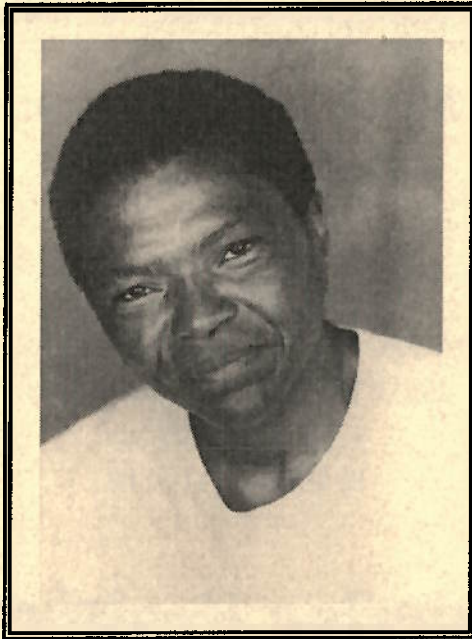
**Achieving Healthcare
for All Americans:
The Struggle Continues**

Guest Speaker:

Dr. Mary Frances Berry

Chairperson of the Civil Rights Commission
The Geraldine R. Segal Professor of American Social Thought
at the University of Pennsylvania

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Dr. Mary Frances Berry

Mary Frances Berry is the *Geraldine R. Segal Professor of American Social Thought* at the University of Pennsylvania where she teaches history and law. In 1993, President Clinton designated her Chairperson of the Civil Rights Commission.

Dr. Berry has appeared as a guest on numerous television news shows including *Nightline*, *Crossfire*, *Lead Story*, *Face the Nation*, *The Today Show*, *Oprah Winfrey*, *CNN* and *C-Span*. Dr. Berry is also one of the founders of the Free South Africa Movement, which instigated protests at the South African Embassy in the struggle for democracy in South Africa. She was arrested and jailed several times in the cause. Dr. Berry was *Assistant Secretary for Education in the U.S. Department of Health, Education and Welfare* during the Carter Administration. As Assistant Secretary, she coordinated and gave general supervision to nearly thirteen billion dollars of federal education programs.

Prior to her service at HEW, Dr. Berry was a *Provost* at the University of Maryland, College Park and *Chancellor* at the University of Colorado at Boulder.

Dr. Berry was born in Nashville, Tennessee, where she attended public schools. She earned bachelor's and master's degrees at Howard University, a doctorate in history from the University of Michigan and a juris doctor degree from the University of Michigan Law School. She is a member of the *District of Columbia Bar*.

She has received twenty-eight honorary doctoral degrees and numerous awards for her public service and scholarly activities, including the NAACP's *Roy Wilkins and Image Awards*, the *Rosa Parks Award of the Southern Christian Leadership Conference* and the *Ebony Magazine Black Achievement Award*. She is one of the seventy-five women included in *I Dream A World: Portraits of Black Women Who Changed America*. The Women's Hall of Fame designated her one of America's *Women of the Century*.

Dr. Berry's seven books include *The Pig Farmer's Daughter and Other Tales of American Justice: Episodes of Racism and Sexism in the Courts from 1865 to the Present* (1999), *Long Memory: The Black Experience in America* (with co-author John W. Blassingame), *The Politics of Parenthood: Child Care, Women's Rights and the Myth of the Good Mother*, and *Black Resistance/White Law: A History of Constitutional Racism in America*.