

# Poetic Dimensions



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Readers: Homecoming festivities really got a CAPITAL "V" this past week-end! The activities brought Winston-Salem many alumni, friends, and relatives. Among those visiting our fair city for the VERY FIRST TIME WAS Ms. Gloria Jamerson who came all the way from Highland Park, Michigan. Gloria was turned on by many events but she let it flow poetically in expressing how she felt about....

## SOUTHERN HOSPITALITY by Gloria Jamerson

After hearing about the good people in the South,  
I decided to get it from the horse's mouth--  
While driving through a blizzard and pouring rain  
I began to wonder why we didn't take the train!

When I finally arrived it was all worthwhile,  
Everyone I met greeted me with a smile--  
Every home I visited I was greeted with a plate,  
It was really a shame the way I ate!

Ham, greens, plus those pig feet--  
Let me tell you these southerners know how to eat!  
They wine and dine you and all the rest--  
That Southern Hospitality is really the best!!

NOW A "BLUE RIBBON" for WSSU RAMS who won...

## AGAINST ALL ODDS by Gloria Jamerson

Everyone knew their record was poor,  
They looked NOT for a win--just a score--  
The game began with a trip and stumble  
Believe it or not the first play was a fumble!

Two minutes later state was trailing by eight;  
Some of the fans started for the gate!  
It took a while to get in the groove,  
But the RAMS got the ball and started to move!!

Shaw's band struck a tune with a soulful sound--  
While the rams were busy gaining ground!  
When half-time came we were feeling great--  
The Rams were leading 16 to 8!

During the half, bands did their thing--  
Some of the alumni wanted to stand up and sing--  
And if you left when the Rams were down by eight--  
The final score was twenty-three to eight!  
(In favor of WSSU)

IN PARTING: Readers, this is TRULY the MONTH OF THANKSGIVING! Below from my "personal" "Bits and Pieces" file comes my very own excerpt from...

## GIVING THANKS by A.W.

At some silent moment during each day--  
Pause to give thanks along the way--  
For freedom, justice, and equality,  
That had to be earned by you AND me!

Take time to thank God for the air that you breathe  
Which without his goodness we COULD NOT PERCEIVE!  
Take time at intervals to whisper a prayer--  
For the beauty of nature EVERYWHERE!

Be EVER thankful that each week you can read  
YOUR WINSTON-SALEM CHRONICLE, yes indeed!

Readers and poets, I'm thankful for YOU! See you next week when we talk about the world and it's BAD SITUATION by Henry Williams, Jr.

# Steel Band Conducts Workshop

The Winston-Salem Department of Recreation presents the return engagement of the Steel Band Workshop from Charlotte.

The teenage group is directed by Jim Boyce. Boyce is from the Carribean Island of Trinidad, where the steel band originated.

The steel drum is known as

the only new instrument of the 20th century. The group plays classical as well as jazz music.

A weekly workshop will be organized for those persons interested in learning to play this unusual instrument.

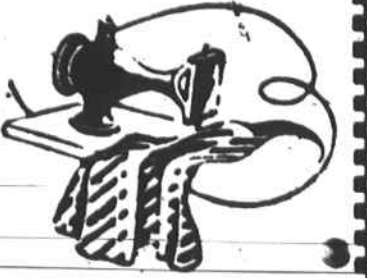
Boyce has performed personally with famous personalities such as: Sergio Franchi, Mike Douglas, Corbett Mini-ca, Serendepity, and state fairs, universities, TV and colleges from coast to coast.

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**SOME TYPES OF EUROPEAN CHIPMUNKS SUBSIST ONLY ON PRUNE PITS AND NO OTHER FOOD!!!**

**DURING THE TIME OF LOUIS XIV IN FRANCE, IT WAS THE HEIGHT OF FASHION FOR WOMEN TO ROUGE ONLY ONE CHEEK, WHILE THE OTHER CHEEK WAS LEFT BARE, WITHOUT EVEN POWDER!!**

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