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Close-Up

They recognize top achievers

By IRENE PERRY Chronicle Staff Writer

Someone once said it is good to be honored and praised for contributions and achievements while the applause can still be heard by the recipient.

This is the goal of the Winston-Salem Chapter of National Women of Achievement, Inc. (NWOA) and, at the group's first annual banquet in the Winston-Salem State University dining room last Saturday night, the recipients for this year's achievement honors were announced.

Louise Hamilton, mistress of ceremonies, opened the evening's festivities, which included achiever Thelma Small reading a poem written by her hus-

"I look at the work done by the people being honored tonight ... and I too am encouraged to work harder."

-- Maya Angelou

band and a video tape presentation by achiever Manderline Scales.

"We hope this evening will be one of fellowship, information and inspiration," said Hamilton.

Nearly 250 guests enjoyed an elaborate buffet dinner as they waited for poet Maya Angelou and Alderman Vivian Burke to present the community leaders and sponsoring groups achievement award certificates.

"Achiever Flonnie Anderson beautifully recited

James Weldon Johnson's "The Creation."

Anderson dedicated the selection to "all the people and to a power greater than all of us, who smiles on all the efforts we put forth to bring to young people in our community an opportunity to get an education."

The National Women of Achievement Inc. was formed in 1982 to recognize the achievements of its members and other women in Forsyth County who have made worthwhile contributions in the fields of business, education, medicine, dentistry, human services, law, religion, the arts, and politics, and to encourage others, including young people and groups, to strive for excellence.

Two years ago, a group of Winston-Salem women met at the home of Mrs. Robert Scales to discuss the possibility of organizing a Winston-Salem chapter of the National Women of Achievement Inc. There were nine women present: Clara Hayes, Dr. Berthenia Horne, Vivian Bright, Evelyn Sellars, Roxanna Pitts, Naomi McLean, Clara Lowrance, Mrs. Manderline Scales and Helen Falls.

After listening to a tape recording Falls prepared, which provided some basic information on the organization, the group expressed a desire to organize a Winston-Salem chapter.

On Aug. 9, 1982, the Winston-Salem Chapter of National Women of Achievement Inc. was organized. It was accepted in the national organization on December 14, 1982.

During its first 10 months, the membership proceded to perfect the organization with the drafting



Flonnie Anderson delivers a memorable recitation of James Weldon Johnson's "The Creation" at the National Women Of Achievement Inc. banquet (photo by James Parker).

of a constitution and bylaws for guidance The motto, "Progressive Women on the Move," was also adopted.

On June 12, 1983, the chapter was introduced to the Winston-Salem community during a reception held in the lobby of the Kenneth R. Williams Auditorium. Three hundred citizens of the Winston-Salem community attended the reception. Vivian Burke read a proclamation signed by Mayor

Corpening, which declared the day as "National Women of Achievement Day," and she urged all citizens of the community to take proper heed of the occasion.

For the first banquet, Maya Angelou, honorary achiever of the group, declared the evening "a feast of love." She presented achievers' certificates to Iris Officer, Lula Morrison, Vivien King Bright and

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Christmas Cheer

Clara Douglas, left, and Louise W. King, members of the Beta Alpha Chapter of lota Phi Lamba Sorority, display an AM-FM stereo system the club purchased for the residents at Murdock Center. In addition, the club's Christmas Cheer Committee will be remembering senior citizens in the local nursing homes with poinsettias during the Christmas holiday (photo by James Parker).

Housing Authority honors employees at annual Sunrise Towers program

The Winston-Salem Housing Authority held its annual Employee Service Awards Program on Tuesday, Dec. 11, at 4 p.m. in the auditorium of Sunrise Towers.

Retiring employees and employees with 20, 15 and 10 years of service were recognized. Caivin McQueen was recognized as a retiring employee with 16 years service. Mrs. Alberta

Cranfill were recognized for 20 years of service.

Employees with 15 years service were Effie Brayboy, David Wilson, Willie Grier, Louella Harrison, Hazel Mack, George Fennell, Patsy Cuthrell and Barbara Peoples.

Employees recognized for 10 years of service were Theresa Mc-Cullough, Lonnie Riley, Jeannette Porter, Eleanor Eator, Mack McConnell, Corrine Mc-Call and Robert Adams.

Harvey is retiring with 25 years service. Glenda Beck and Patsy Gents plan annual awards ceremony

The Sophisticated Gents Inc. will present their third annual Distinguished Citizens Awards on Sunday, Jan. 27, 1985, at the

"For the past two years, the Gents have given awards to persons in the community for their contributions to society," said Melvin 'Rip' Wilkins, Gents chairman.

Stevens Center.

The Gents were founded in January 1982 with a three-fold purpose: to promote brotherhood, to achieve selfimprovement and to provide services to the community.

The Gents have sponsored such programs as sending flowers to elderly mothers on Mother's Day, Kid's Day at Winston Lake Park, sickle cell anemia fund drives, Thanksgiving food basket give-aways, and most recently they provided security for Jesse Jackson's visit to Winston-

"With more in store for 1985, the impact is being felt in Winston-Salem," said Wilkins. "There are many worthwhile positive projects we'd like to become involved in."

Alderman Larry Little will be the guest speaker for the awards program and Rudy Anderson will be the master of ceremonies. Jazz soloist Eve Cornelious, Curtis Hairston and Kerry Waiters, both local vocalist, will provide

the entertainment. Admission is \$10 in advance and \$12 at the door.

Social Notes

Kennedy gets scholarship

The Winston-Salem Barristers' Wives entertained guests at a holiday dinner Saturday evening, Dec. 1, at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Glenn Davis on Greymar Drive.

Mrs. Toy Beaty, club president, welcomed the guests and presented a gift certificate for a book to Roland Hayes in recognition of his recent appointment as a district court judge.

Mrs. Wilma Lassiter, scholarship chairman, presented the second Jasper Alston Atkins Legal Education Scholarship to Brian Kevin Washington. She explained that the scholarship, named in honor of the late "Jack" Atkins, pioneer attorney, has specific guidelines which reflect upon Atkins' life.

Because of Atkins' deep interest in and close association with the school, the recipient must be a graduate of Winston-Salem State University. Washington, who also won the first scholarship last year, is a 1982 graudate of WSSU. He is now in his senior year at Wake Forest University Law School

and expects to graduate in June

Other guests attending the dinner were Mrs. J.A. Atkins, Dr. and Mrs. H.H. Allen, Mr. and Mrs. William J. Earl, James L. Lassiter, Harold Kennedy Jr., Harold Kennedy III, Harvey Kennedy, Dr. and Mrs. J. David Branch, Judge James Beaty Jr., Mr. and Mrs. Edward Hanes, Mr. and Mrs. Melvin Gadson, Billy Friende Jr., Mr. and Mrs. Jake Sudler, Jasper Brown, Sterling Spainhour, Mr. and Mrs. Alfred White, Donald Buie, Mr. and Mrs. Rupert Bell, Mr. and Mrs. David Tate, Willie Clark, Phil Banks, Paris Favors, Clintona Langley and Mr. and Mrs. Cornelius Gould from Cleveland,

Other Barristers' Wives present were Mrs. Annie Kennedy, Mrs. Barbara Hayes, Mrs. Donza Friende, Mrs. Sandra Brown, Mrs. Becky Peterson-Buie, Mrs. Kay Clark, Mrs. Cheryl Gould-Bailey, Mrs. Beverly Spainhour, Mrs. Shelly Banks and Mrs. Gail



Practical Experience

David Mickel from David's Hair-I-Am shows Ashley Middle School students the ins and outs of the cosmetology business. Mickle's presentation was part of the school's Career Fair that featured professionals giving students hands-on experience (photo by James Parker).

Post sponsors annual Christmas party

The Ralph R. Morgan American Legion Post No. 220 will hold its annual Christmas Party at the National Guard Armory from 8:30 p.m. to 1 a.m. on Saturday, Dec. 15.

All members are advised to

pick up invitations for their guests after 6 p.m. at the Post home at 2332 N. Liberty St. No one will be admitted without an invitation.

For additional information, call Martha Jones at 724-7689.

COMMUNITY CALENDAR

FRIDAY, DECEMBER 14

· A representative from the office of U.S. Rep. Steve Neal will be at the East Winston Branch Library from 9:30 a.m. until 1 p.m. Any residents of the Fifth Congressional District having problems with a federal agency or who have opinions about pending legislation before the Congress are invited to discuss their concerns at this time. A representative also will be present at the library during these hours on Friday, Dec. 21.

 The Piedmont Opera Theatre will present an English-language version of the Christmas opera, "Amahl and the Night Visitors," at 8 p.m. in the Stevens Center. Adult tickets are \$6 each and senior. citizen-student tickets are \$4. For more information, call 725-2022 or 721-1945.

SATURDAY, DECEMBER 15

 The 17th Street Community Goodwill Club will have its annual Christmas banquet at 7 p.m. in Sunrise Towers at 1209 E. Ninth St. The featured speaker will be Jerry C. Gilmore III. For more information, call 748-0354.

 The Tiny Indians football team will hold its third annual awards ceremony at 6 p.m. in the 14th Street Recreation Center. Coach Bill Hayes of Winston-Salem State University will be the keynote speaker. All parents, coaches and players are asked to be on time.

• The Winston-Salem Human Relations Commission will present a special program on low-income housing at 11 a.m. in Sunrise meeting previously scheduled for Dec. 27. Presidents of neighborhood associations, tenants' associations and anyone involved in providing housing for low-income families are invited to attend.

 Deborah Womack, assistant home economics extension agent, will present a free program titled, "Superenvironments," part of the Forsyth County Public Library's continuing Super Parenti lecture series, at 7 p.m. in the East Winston Branch Library at 1110 E. Seventh St. The public is invited.

PUBLIC SERVICE ANNOUNCEMENTS

 The Timberlake Community Organization of Mount Airy is selling \$1 raffle tickets for \$100 worth of gasoline to be given away at 6 p.m. on Saturday, Dec. 29, at the home of Martha Joyce of 202 Eleanor Ave., Mount Airy. The proceeds will benefit the Timberlake Community Center. For more information, call

The Chronicle welcomes Community Calendar notices. Announcements should be concise and typed or neatly printed. They should include the day, time, place and sponsors of the event, plus a number to call for additional information. Announcements should be addressed to the Winston-Salem Chronicle Community Calendar, P.O. Box 3154, Winston-Salem, N.C. 27102. The deadline for announcements is Monday at 5:30 p.m.