

BUSINESS FOCUS

Briefs

WFU's Moser promoted

Wake Forest University has named Donald "Buz" Moser executive director of business services. Moser has served as director of university stores at Wake Forest since 1999. He joined the university in 1995 as department chair and professor of military science.



Moser

In his new position, Moser will oversee the business service units of the finance department, including University Stores, Purchasing and Mail Services.

In addition to his work with university stores,

Moser is the program manager for the university's resource optimization initiative, a director on the National Association of College Stores (NACS) Foundation Board, secretary of the College Store Association of North Carolina, and serves on the National Customer Advisory Council for Follett Higher Education, Office Depot's National Strategic Customer Advisory Council and the Wake Forest Honor and Ethics Council. He is also an adjunct member of the university faculty.

Moser is a graduate of the United States Military Academy and received a Master of Business Administration degree from Long Island University. He retired as an infantry lieutenant colonel in the U.S. Army after 23 years of service.

Pittsburgh company settles race discrimination lawsuit

PITTSBURGH (AP) — A Pittsburgh-based home improvement company has settled a lawsuit involving accusations that it fired an African-American employee because he complained about race discrimination.

Champion Window of Pittsburgh has agreed to pay \$100,000 in the suit filed by the U.S. Equal Employment Opportunity Commission.

The agency says the company failed to give Martell Waite the same tools, benefits and assistance it gave to white workers in the same position.

It also says Waite complained about racially offensive language and racial discrimination before the company demoted and fired him in 2007.

Thompson Joins ARC

Eugene "Big Red" Thompson has joined Automated Residential Concepts (ARC), on Hanes Mall Boulevard in Winston-Salem, as a home electronics consultant. The company designs, sells, installs and maintains all aspects of residential electronic systems.

Thompson has a long history of working in the home electronics industry in the Triad area. Prior to joining ARC, he was a sales associate at Tweeter in Winston-Salem and also worked for the company when it operated under the name of Now! Audio Video. Earlier in Thompson's career, he worked for Ed Kelly's home electronics retail store on Stratford Road.

"We're thrilled to have Gene as part of our professional staff," said Tony Baker, president of ARC. "He is a legend in the local audio and video electronics retail industry and has vast knowledge about home audio and video system design, sales and installation. Gene is a consummate professional and will be a tremendous resource to clients of ARC."

Thompson received the B.A. degree from North Carolina Central University in 1972. He is a native of Greenville, S.C. He and his wife, Vanessa, live in Winston-Salem.



Thompson

G'boro United Way's Westmoreland receives honor

Cindy Westmoreland, director of Campaign Operations at United Way of Greater Greensboro, was honored Thursday, May 29 at the Koury Convention Center with one of three leadership medals given on an annual basis by Leadership Greensboro.

According to the Greensboro Chamber of Commerce and Leadership Greensboro, Westmoreland was recognized for her work with the ACC Tournaments and Adult Center for Enrichment. Recipients demonstrated outstanding courage, commitment and community leadership positively affecting citizens in the Greensboro community.

Neil Belenky, president of United Way of Greater Greensboro stated, "Cindy is a wonderful example of how United Way employees invest in our community beyond their internal roles and responsibilities."



Westmoreland

A&T's second in command retiring

CHRONICLE STAFF REPORT

Dr. Janice G. Brewington, N.C. A&T State University's provost and vice chancellor for academic affairs, will retire June 30, the school announced last week.

Chancellor Stanley F. Battle appointed Brewington as his second in command upon arriving as the 11th chancellor of N.C. A&T on July 1, 2007. Brewington was part of Battle's first wave of Senior Cabinet announcements.

"As chief academic officer for the past two years, Provost Brewington has played a stellar role in keeping North Carolina A&T State University on a successful, strategic course," Battle said. "We will sorely miss an ultimate profes-

sional and our top leader of undergraduate and graduate instruction, scholarly excellence, and effective public service."

A&T Chancellor Emeritus James C. Renick appointed Brewington, a Greensboro native, as interim provost and vice chancellor of academic affairs on May 1, 2006, to replace Dr. Carolyn W. Meyers who became president of Norfolk State University.

Brewington continued in this role while Dr. Lloyd V. Hackley served as A&T chancellor during the interim period.

Brewington has held key leadership positions in A&T's Division of Academic Affairs. She served as assistant dean and interim dean in the School of Nursing and associate vice chancellor for academic affairs/institutional planning, assessment and research. She previously held this role before taking an administrative leave for one year as a corporate manager.

From 2004 - 2005, Brewington was an executive on loan with The Gillette Company in Boston, as the manager for the university relations department in tal-

ent acquisitions, global shared services for North America. She managed college recruitment for businesses across the Company, aligned with corporate strategy.

Brewington received a B.S.N. degree from A&T, a M.S.N. degree from Emory University, and a Ph.D. degree in health policy and administration from the School of Public Health, University of North Carolina at Chapel Hill. She minored in organizational behavior at the UNC-Chapel Hill School of Business.

The university will conduct a national search to find a successor. An interim to assume the position will be appointed prior to July 1, according to the university.



Brewington

A SHOW OF APPRECIATION



PRNewsFoto/Boys & Girls Clubs of America

Boys & Girls Clubs of America's National Youth of the Year Demetrice Tuttle, left, and President and CEO Roxanne Spillet, right, present Microsoft CEO Steve Ballmer with its 2008 Champion of Youth Award for the company's \$153 million sponsorship of the Club Tech program.

Gardner is new local postal leader

He is responsible for an operation that handles 15 million pieces of mail a day

SPECIAL TO THE CHRONICLE

Russell D. Gardner Jr., has been named manager of the Greensboro District of the U.S. Postal Service. Gardner succeeds Henry Dix, who was promoted to District Manager of the Capital District in Washington, D.C. earlier this year.

As district manager and lead executive, Gardner oversees an annual budget of \$1.3 billion, more than 10,000 employees, 480 Postmasters/Station Managers, 2.8 billion pieces of mail annually and 15 million pieces of mail daily.

The Greensboro District encompasses more than 50 northern counties of North Carolina that cover approximately 25,670 square miles and has more than four million mail delivery customers.

Gardner served as acting district manager since February. Since then, he has helped the

District improve its First-Class, Express Mail and Priority Mail service performance. The District is currently among the top 10 in the nation.

He previously served as the senior manager of Post Office Operations for the Mid-Carolinas District, which is based in Charlotte. In that position, he managed the retail and delivery operations of twelve of the district's larger Post Offices, serving 600,000 customers in eight different 3-digit ZIP Code ranges.

Gardner began his career with the Postal Service in 1987, as a city letter carrier in Niagara Falls, N.Y. Over the years, he has served in various positions, including supervisor of mails and delivery and postmaster of Middleport, N.Y. He moved to the Mid-Carolinas District in 1998 to serve as manager of customer services in Charlotte. He was later promoted to manager of Customer Service Operations for Charlotte Post Office, and in 2007 served as acting manager of the Greensboro Bulk Mail Center, leading it to #1 in national rankings in productivity and performance.

A graduate of Montreat College in Charlotte and the U.S. Postal Service's Advanced Leadership Program, Gardner is married with two grown children.



Gardner

Agency gives women the look to succeed

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WASHINGTON — Thirty-seven-year-old Barbara Terrell recently graduated from her Women in All Trades career training and placement program. It is a program that has helped her land a job as a construction contractor.

But just two years ago, Terrell's outlook on life did not render the possibility of such an accomplishment. She had been stabbed 12 times by the father of her twin boys, and she had lost her home. Following her month-long hospital stay, Terrell had nowhere else to turn but to homeless shelters. She eventually found a great resource in Dress for Success, an international non-profit organization that has suited and mentored more than 400,000 women for the business world since its inception in 1996.



Dress for Success Office Manager Cynthia Coleman helps a client shop for an interview suit.

Photo by Sheri Madison Kwarteng

Each location is staffed adequately with passionate and caring individuals that go above and beyond the call of duty to assist clients. One of those smiling faces that welcomed Terrell was Melissa Frazier, the Dress for Success program manager at the Washington, D.C. site.

"It's such a blessing for me just to be a part of the process. For some of women, it's the first time they've ever worn a suit," said Frazier, a 27-year-old New Mexico native. "It's an incredible feeling to be able to make this type of contribution to someone's life on a daily basis."

Frazier's screen saver says it all: "I am the vessel."

The Washington, D.C. affiliate has been in operation since 2002, suiting more than 40,000 women since then.