



JV squad ends with a perfect season



Bishop talks about race



Kid racer holds special luncheon



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## FATHERS ANSWER THE CALL TO SUPPORT KIDS

BY LAYLA FARMER THE CHRONICLE

Marcallus Sunday was hoping he could entice a handful of fathers to participate in his annual Dad's Day program.

To his delight, more than 50 dads showed up Nov. 7 at the Sarah Y. Austin Head Start Building, not to mention the uncles and grandfathers that lent their support to the program in other locations.

"To be totally honest with you, I was expecting about 15 dads," Sunday confessed. "I was shocked (at the turnout); it blew my mind. They're excited about continuing this thing."



A dad poses with his little girl.

The dads that flooded the building last Friday morning served in various capacities. Some served breakfast to the children. Others read, played or just spent time with the youngsters, many of whom had eagerly awaited the day for weeks, according to their teachers.

"This didn't just happen here; it happened all over Forsyth County,"

said Sunday, the parent involvement specialist for Head Start. "The turnout has never been like this."

Dayton Fennell, a student at Forsyth Technical Community College and aspiring attorney, said that he was glad to help out.

"It's my son; I'm supposed to (volunteer)," he said of his three-year-old, X-Zavion Anderson. "I feel like you need a male figure to balance out a child."

Fennell, a single father, spent his time building creations out of blocks and playing in the sand with the children.

"It's great," he related. "The teacher actually told us we need to come more often; she called us 'the enforcers.' Everybody was having fun."

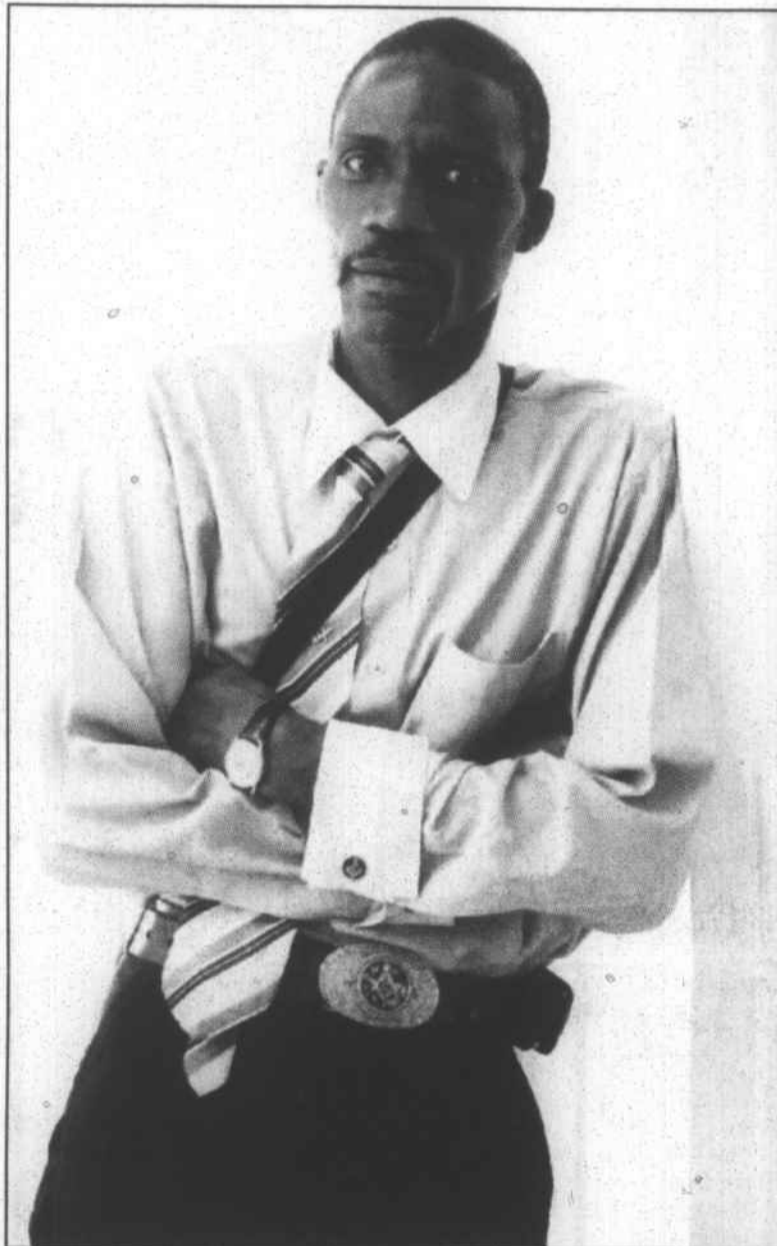


Photo by Jason Pitt

Marcallus Sunday organized the event to get men, especially fathers, more involved with young people's education.

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## FACT OR FICTION?

Some Salem College students claim campus was scene of post-election racial incident

BY LAYLA FARMER THE CHRONICLE

"A slap in the face," that's how 28-year-old Twila Brown describes the scene she says she encountered less than 24 hours after she celebrated the election of the nation's first-ever black president.

"A white girl was going around (the campus of Salem College) in a white bathrobe, proclaiming that she was a part of the KKK," Brown said. "It was an inflamed situation; a lot of people were very, very upset."

It was a stark reminder, Brown says, that racism is still alive and well in America.

It was also a wake-up call for Misty Miller, another African-American student at the school.

"I personally did not witness the situation, but I've heard from fellow students ... what happened," reported Miller. "The ones who did see it were quite horrified."



President Pauly

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Bishop John Huntley works on the last Apostle's Build.

## Black churches uniting to build another home

BY LAYLA FARMER THE CHRONICLE

Thirty local churches made history in 2007 with the Habitat for Humanity of Forsyth County's first-ever Apostle's Build. With the help of a \$25,000 grant from Habitat International, the house became the first Habitat home in Forsyth County ever to be built by a predominantly African American group.



Oberle

Executive Director Sylvia Oberle said of the build. "It's a statement that ... we have a strong following in the African American community, and we value that very much."

The build was designed to foster greater support from the African American faith community, as 90 percent of the organization's clients are African American, said Karen Bell Chandler, faith and community relations manager for Habitat

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## A FITTING TRIBUTE

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Dr. Gladys Hope Franklin White stands in front of the N.C. A&T State University College of Arts and Sciences' Dean Suite, which was named in honor of her husband, the late Dr. Frank Hollowell White, who served as the second dean of the College of Arts and Sciences from 1974-1981. He also was the founder and chair of A&T's history department.

## Group honors local hero Lawrence Joel

BY TODD LUCK THE CHRONICLE

On Nov. 8, 1965, the 173rd Airborne Brigade was ambushed by 1,200 Vietcong fighters. Forty-eight American soldiers lost their lives. But more would have died that day if it hadn't been for a brave African-American medic named Lawrence Joel. Even after being shot himself, Joel attended to 13 soldiers before his supplies ran out.



Joel

For his heroism that day, he became the first living African-American to receive the Congressional Medal of Honor in nearly a century.

Niles Harris was among those

saved that day by Joel, a Winston-Salem resident who died in 1984. Harris' story about that ambush inspired the hit country song "8th of November" by Big & Rich. Harris usually does something to remember the day when so many of his fellow soldiers died.

But this year, November 8th was extra special. Harris was the grand marshal for the North Carolina Veterans Day Parade in Raleigh. He also attended an unveiling of a new painting by artist Craig Bone based on the "8th of November," and later a vets' tribute concert in Cary featuring Billy Ray Cyrus.

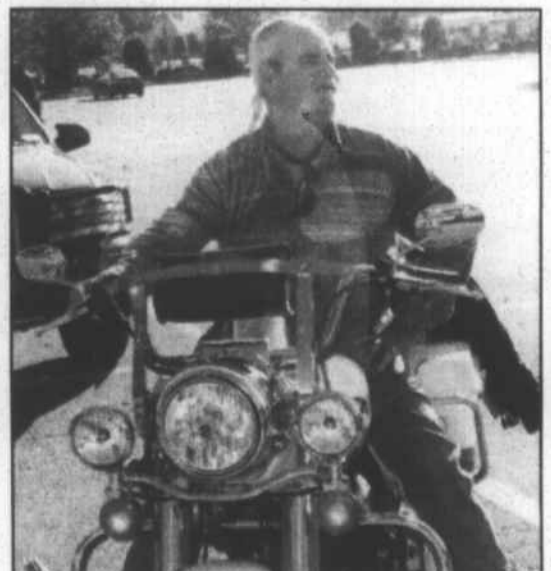


Photo by Todd Luck

Niles Harris traveled from South Dakota to honor Joel and other veterans.



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