

# COMMUNITY

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## Community Calendar

### Closing reception

Winston-Salem State University's Diggs Gallery will hold a closing reception on Friday, Dec. 5 from 5:30 - 7 p.m. for its current exhibit, "Herbert Gentry: The Man, The Magic, The Master." Attendees will enjoy jazz music and hot cider. The gallery is located in the lower level of O'Kelly Library on the WSSU campus. For more information, call 336-750-2458.

### Preview Party

The Sawtooth School for the Visual Arts will host a Preview Party for its Deck the Halls event on Wednesday, Dec. 3 and Thursday, Dec. 4. The preview will feature "Taste of Winston-Salem" showcasing food from Noble's Grille, 1703, Twin City Diner, Finnegan's Wake, Dewey's, Ben & Jerry's and other eateries. It will also feature live music, beer, wine, a festive balloon pop, a raffle, and the opportunity for attendees to get the first dibs on the unique artistic gifts that are sold during Deck the Halls, which will run from Dec. 3 - 7 at Sawtooth, which is housed in the Chatham Building, 305 W. Fourth Street, while the Sawtooth Building is being renovated.

Tickets to the Preview Party are \$20 in advance or \$25 at the door. Call 336-723-73965 or go to [www.sawtooth.org/deckhall](http://www.sawtooth.org/deckhall) for more information.

### Holiday Celebration

The Lewisville Library will host a Holiday Celebration on Saturday, Dec. 6 from 11 a.m. until noon. The Friends of the Lewisville Library is inviting everyone to come out to celebrate the holidays. All ages are welcome for the event, which will feature holiday stories, crafts, games and festive treats. Santa will also make a special guest appearance. This program is free and open to the public. Lewisville Branch Library is at 6490 Shallowford Rd.

### Angelou, others at Special Occasions

Special Occasions will welcome authors Carlos Moore ("Pichon: Race and Revolution in Castro's Cuba: A memoir"); from noon - 2 p.m. on Friday, Nov. 28; Richard A. Long and Rosa Johnson Butler ("Maya Angelou: A Glorious Celebration") and Dr. Maya Angelou ("Letter to My Daughter") on Saturday, Nov. 29 from noon - 2 p.m.

On Sunday, Dec. 7, from 1-3 p.m., Soulful Santa will be on hand. Little ones are urged to dress to impress to have their picture taken. All events are free and open to the public.

Special Occasions is located at 112 Martin Luther King Jr. Dr.



Honoree D'Walla Burke with husband, Fred.



Honoree Larry Little.



Mike Pitt and Paulette Moore of The Chronicle.



Honoree John Davis.



Honoree Kevin Terry, center, and his wife chat with Scott Abdul-Salaam.



AT&T's Chuck Greene, right, receives an award from Superintendent Don Martin.

## CELEBRATING COMMUNITY SERVICE

Winston-Salem Urban League hands out EOD Awards

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It was an evening fit for superstars - from the red-carpeted entrance to the rare roast beef that was sliced and served by men in crisp white uniforms.

To the Winston-Salem Urban League, the men, women and businesses it honored Saturday during its Equal Opportunity Day awards ceremony are just that - community celebrities who work to make not only themselves but many others shine.

"They have shown the type of leadership that inspires others to do their best," Mistress of Ceremonies Renee Vaughn, a local radio personality, said about the honorees.

The ceremony, held at the Millennium Center, was the highlight of a week's worth of activities celebrating the Winston-Salem Urban League's 60th Anniversary. Other events included the grand opening of Employment Security Commission satellite site at the



Longtime Urban League Volunteer Velma Friende receives a hug.

Urban League's downtown office building, and a job expo for the agency's ever-growing list of clients.

The agency's storied, six-

decade-old past was highlighted during the awards gala in a video presentation that narrated by former WXII Anchor Tolly Carr, who has been doing community service at

the Urban League as part of the conditions of his slated release from prison. Carr has served more than a year behind bars for felony death by motor vehicle.

Urban League President and CEO Keith Grandberry credited the agency's long history of devoted volunteers, competent employees and loyal community partners for the agency's longevity.

"They have made us who we are today," said Grandberry, who promised that the agency will increase efforts to end poverty and help the working poor, both of which are the main pillars of the Urban League's mission.

John Davis, the managing director of Deutsche Bank, is a believer that the Urban League will accomplish whatever it sets out to do. He used his remarks after he picked up his Corporate Leader of the Year Award to praise the agency while invoking the campaign message of President-Elect Barack Obama.

"This is what I'll tell you about

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Keith Grandberry with guest Crystal German, a VP with the Cincinnati, Ohio Chamber of Commerce.



Miss Ebony Fashion Fair Damali Scott has a laugh while she dips a treat into the chocolate fountain.



Larente Hamlin with Renee Vaughn.



Debra Terry shows her son, Devin, and Superintendent Martin and Tamara Henderson hit the dance floor.



The band Innertwined performs during the dance after the awards ceremony.