



Clark Campbell looks up as the sign bearing his name is unveiled during a ceremony last year at the Downtown Transit Center.

# Last stop for bus driving legend Clark Campbell

200 hundred attend emotion-filled funeral service

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THE CHRONICLE

Beloved bus driver Clark Campbell, whose name graces downtown's transit center, was remembered at a funeral service at First Baptist Church on Highland Avenue on Monday.

Campbell passed away last week at the age of 86. He was a city bus operator for 62 years, logging more than 3 million miles. He began his career in 1944, driving for the Safe Bus Company, which was the only black-owned transportation company in the world for the first half of the 20th century. Campbell continued driving when Safe Bus was absorbed by the Winston-Salem Transit Authority. He retired in 1992, but worked part-time after that until 2006.

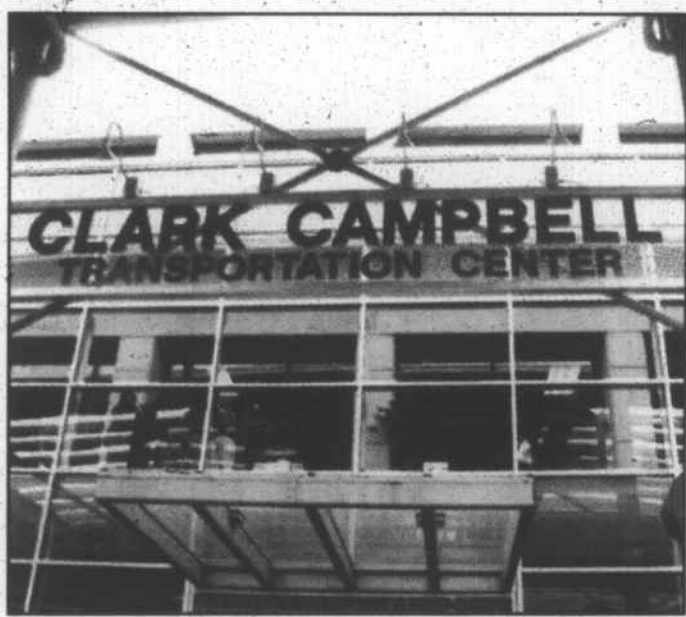
In March 2007, the bustling Winston-Salem Transportation Center located at the intersection of Liberty and Fifth streets was renamed the Clark Campbell Transportation Center. Campbell couldn't make the renaming ceremony for health reasons but did attend a later ceremony, where the sign for the renamed transportation hub was unveiled. Campbell said the renaming of the station in his honor was the "highlight of his life."

N.C. Rep. Larry Womble, who pushed for the Campbell renaming, spoke at the funeral. He said the renaming was unique in downtown, because Campbell was neither rich or famous.

"He was an ordinary man who had an ordinary job, but he achieved extraordinary goals," said Womble.

Womble said that in just a few weeks a marker honoring Campbell will be placed near the center. A dedication ceremony is being planned for it but no date has been set yet.

Campbell made an impression on many. He was known for encouraging and inspiring co-workers and passengers alike. A picture of him smiling in his WSTA uniform graced the cover of



the funeral program.

Campbell's wife, Christine, said that he loved his job. But he was also an inspiration to his family, which includes his four children, 12 grandchildren, nine great grandchildren and seven great-great grandchildren.

"I don't know what I can say other than how good he was," said Christine Campbell. "He was a good person, a good husband, a good father and a good friend."

His nephew, Calvin Campbell, said that everyone knew his uncle one way or another, and that the folks at the transit system have always been "extended family." He recalled his uncle's unwavering loyalty to his transit family, whether it was attending union meetings or representing coworkers who were fighting for their jobs.

Calvin Campbell asked the crowd on hand at First Baptist to raise their hand if Campbell had touched their lives. Almost all of the nearly 200 people in attendance did so.

"He didn't demand respect with his mouth, as many people do, but he got it anyway, with the way he carried himself before us," said Calvin Campbell.

Campbell's son, Christopher, gave tearful remarks, remembering how his "Pops" put his heart into everything he did. Campbell wanted his work and his family to be a positive reflection of his life, his son said.

"He not only showed me what a man was, he showed us how to be one," said Christopher Campbell.

Campbell was laid to rest at Gardens of Memory Cemetery in Walkertown.

## News Clips

### A&T Chancellor to meet with the community

Dr. Stanley F. Battle, chancellor of North Carolina A&T State University, is kicking off the New Year with a special forum that will open up dialogue and exchange ideas with members of the community.

On Thursday, Jan. 15 from 6 - 8 p.m. at the Memorial Student Union - Stallings Ballroom, N.C. A&T will host, "Conversations with the Chancellor: A Community Forum." The forum is being held to inform the community of the vision and direction of the university and hear from the community.

"This is a wonderful opportunity for the University to share with the community A&T's vision and to engage in discussions relative to the



Battle

UNC Tomorrow Initiative, the Strategic Plan, SACS Accreditation and community expectations," said Dr. Battle. The community is encouraged to attend and share in the discussions. This event is free and open to the public. Refreshments will be served.

### Volunteers needed for emergency homeless shelter

Mayor Allen Joines is asking city residents to volunteer at the emergency overflow shelter that opened Jan. 1 at First Baptist Church on Fifth Street. This year the emergency overflow shelter will be open seven days a week.

Six volunteers are needed to operate the overflow shelter each night. Volunteers serve from 8 p.m. until 6:30 a.m. the following morning and assist with check-in, assigning mats, and monitoring the guests.

Volunteers work in shifts and are able to get a partial night's sleep. The overflow shelter will operate through March 31.

Citizens interested in volunteering should contact the Overflow Shelter Volunteer Coordinator at 336-723-4391 ext. 445.

### Rescue Mission honors Hanes Magnet

The Winston-Salem Rescue Mission is applauding

Hanes Magnet School for helping to make the agency's recent holiday food drive a huge success. The school collected more than 40 barrels of food for the drive. Each year, according to the Mission, the school collects lots of food for annual drive.

The school received a special award from the Rescue Mission last month as recognition for its efforts.

Winston-Salem Rescue Mission officials say that they would not be able to provide services and feed thousands of homeless people each year without the caring support that it receives from the Triad.

### Diocese accepting grant applications

The Catholic Campaign for Human Development in the Diocese of Charlotte is accepting grant applications for the 2009 funding year. CCHD makes small grants from \$500 to \$5,000 to organizations and organized groups in the 46 counties of western North Carolina, without regard to religious affiliation. Applications must be post-marked by Feb. 15, 2009.

For an application, contact Mary Jane Bruton, CCHD Diocesan Director, Office of Justice and Peace, Catholic Social Services, 1123 South Church Street, Charlotte, NC 28203-4003; (704) 370-3234; FAX (704) 370-3377.

# BestHealth

Wake Forest University Baptist Medical Center

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## January 2009 Events

Events are held at BestHealth in Hanes Mall or other locations, as noted.

☎ = registration required. Call Health On-Call at 336-716-2255 or visit [www.besthealth.com](http://www.besthealth.com).

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**Inclement Weather Policy:**  
When Winston-Salem/Forsyth County Schools are closed due to weather, BestHealth events are cancelled.

**19 MON - The 'Butt' Stops Here**  
12 p.m. Dr. John Spangler of WFUBMC Family & Community Medicine presents the latest proven strategies for how to quit smoking. ☎

**19 MON - Massage Therapy for Psoriasis Patients**

6 p.m. Stress can trigger painful flare-ups of psoriasis patches. Licensed massage therapist Suzanne Melcher of WFUBMC Recreational Therapy discusses how massage therapy can increase circulation, relax muscles, reduce heart rate and lower blood pressure. Learn simple massages you can do at home. Sponsored by WFUBMC Dermatology and the Piedmont Triad Psoriasis Support Group. ☎

**20 TUE - Healthy Eating Series: Portion Distortion**

6 p.m. Join BestHealth registered dietitian Amy Fanjoy to view and understand portion sizes of common food items. ☎

**22 THU - Advance Directives**

1 to 3 p.m. Learn how advance directives, such as a living will and healthcare power of attorney, can ensure your wishes will be met. Documents notarized free of charge. ☎

**22 THU - Your Personal Economy - Getting Financially Fit in 2009**

6 p.m. Join Linsey and Michelle Mills of The MILLS Foundation for a discussion of managing cash flow, reducing debt, understanding taxes and getting financially fit in 2009. ☎

**23 FRI - Physical Therapy after Orthopaedic Surgery: What You Need to Know**

4 p.m. If you're considering any type of orthopaedic surgery, such as knee or hip replacement, shoulder replacement or rotator cuff, join WFUBMC physical therapist Kristie Parker to learn what to expect during your post-surgery physical therapy. For BestHealth members only. ☎

**24 SAT - New Year, New Pantry**

2 to 3:30 p.m. Join Chef Barry Moody to learn how to take healthy staples from your kitchen pantry and whip up tasty meals in minutes. Recipes and samples provided. ☎

**27 TUE - Healthy Eating Series: Eating on the Run**

6 p.m. BestHealth registered dietitian Amy Fanjoy shows you how to fit healthy eating into your busy schedule. ☎

**28 WED - Creative Cooking**

6 to 7:30 p.m. Chef Nikki Miller-Ka shows you how to mix and match flavors and ingredients to create delicious, hearty and healthy meals. Recipes and samples provided. ☎



### Other Locations

**27 TUE - FREE Prostate Cancer Screening**

5 to 8 p.m. No appointment needed. Held at the Dept. of Urology clinic, 140 Charlois Blvd., in Winston-Salem. Screening recommended for men over age 40 who have a family history of prostate cancer or who are African-American, and for men over age 50 who haven't had a prostate exam in the past year.

☎ To register for events, receive general health care information, or to schedule a physician appointment, call: Health On-Call at 716-2255 or 800-446-2255.

Unless otherwise stated, BestHealth programs are for adults; no children under age 12, please.



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"Touched by the Gospel"  
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