

CAREERS

Briefs

Chancellor Martin makes first appointment at A&T

North Carolina Agricultural and Technical State University Chancellor Harold L. Martin Sr. announced he has appointed Dr. Winsor E. Alexander as interim dean of the College of Engineering, effective July 1.



Alexander

This is Martin's first appointment to the university since beginning his tenure as chancellor on June 8. Dr. Joseph Monroe, dean of the College of Engineering, will retire on June 30. A national search is being launched for a permanent dean of the College of Engineering.

"I am very pleased that we are able to appoint someone with Dr. Alexander's extraordinary background and professional experiences as our Interim Dean of the College of Engineering," said Martin. "The College of Engineering is an important academic unit in our efforts to fully realize our mission as well as to assist the university in more successfully contributing to the economic competitiveness of the Triad region and the State."

Alexander is currently a full professor in the Electrical and Computer Engineering Department at North Carolina State University, a position he has held since 1982. In addition to serving in that capacity, he served as director of the institution's graduate programs from August 1988 to May 1997 and from June 2001 to August 2002. Alexander is also a visiting professor of electrical and computer engineering at N.C. A&T.

New SunTrust cards earn Delta Airlines miles

SunTrust Banks, Inc., and Delta Airlines have entered into a new union that will allow consumers and businesses to earn Delta miles on all signature based-purchases made with a new SunTrust SkyMiles Check Card, which was launched on June 22.

This is the first time Delta has offered mileage-earning opportunities through a check card, and is the first co-branded check card relationship for SunTrust.

The companies say that the SunTrust SkyMiles Check Cards meet a growing demand among Delta and SunTrust clients for a check card that earns airline miles and reinforces SunTrust's pledge to help clients with responsible financial management through its "Live Solid. Bank Solid" campaign.

For every purchase made with an authorized signature, cardholders earn miles that can be redeemed for Award Travel to nearly 400 destinations Delta and its partner airlines serve across the world.

Starting at just \$20, the SunTrust SkyMiles Check Card features the lowest annual fees of any competing airline check card rewards program, and offers the convenience and security of a SunTrust Visa Check Card. Three cards are available to meet the various needs of businesses and individuals.

For more information on the SunTrust SkyMiles Check Cards, call 1-877-SUNTRUST.

Professorship created for Sullivan

An endowed professorship is being created in honor of Patricia A. Sullivan in recognition of her service as chancellor of The University of North Carolina at Greensboro.

The Patricia A. Sullivan Distinguished Professorship in the Sciences is being created by several donors who have contributed or made pledges for the necessary \$417,000 for the endowment. UNCG will apply for matching funds - \$250,000 from the C.D. Spangler Foundation and \$333,000 from the N.C. Distinguished Professorship Endowment Trust Fund - to bring the total endowment to \$1 million. The endowment is being created as part of the Students First Campaign, which ends June 30.

Sullivan became chancellor of UNCG on January 1, 1995. For almost 14 years, she led the institution as it grew to become a research university and the largest state institution in the Piedmont Triad.

Linville earns certification

Aubrey Linville of Meridian Realty Group in downtown Winston-Salem was awarded the Certified Commercial Investment Member (CCIM) designation on April 23 in Fort Worth, Texas by the CCIM Institute, one of the leading commercial real estate associations in the world. CCIMs are recognized experts in commercial real estate brokerage, leasing, asset management, valuation, and investment analysis. A CCIM is an invaluable resource to the commercial real estate owner, investor and user, and is among an elite corps of



Linville

more than 9,000 professionals who hold the CCIM designation across North America and more than 30 countries.

SALUTING THE GENERAL



100 Black Men of America Chairman Albert Dotson Jr., left, former Virginia Governor Douglas Wilder (second from left) and 100 Black Men of America CEO John Hammond III, far right, were among those who honored U.S. Army General William "Kip" Ward (second from right) at the recent 100 Black Men 23rd Annual Conference in New York. Ward is the only active-duty, four-star African-American general, and he is only the fifth African-American to achieve this rank.

Nonprofit leaders get much needed break

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Winston-Salem-based Z. Smith Reynolds Foundation has selected the leaders of five nonprofit organizations for grants of \$25,000 each to take sabbaticals from their work for up to six months. The Z. Smith Reynolds Sabbatical Program, now in its 20th year, allows recipients to take extended breaks from their jobs for personal renewal that enables continued work in the nonprofit area.

Foundation trustees pioneered sabbaticals for nonprofit leaders after making thousands of grants to nonprofit organizations in North Carolina, and seeing that some of the most creative and inspired nonprofit leaders were experiencing burnout from the ongoing challenges of sustaining and managing their organizations.

Recipients of the grants are free to structure their leaves as they choose - to travel, work on special projects, spend time with family and friends, read, relax, or simply reflect. Sabbaticals may last from three to six months.

"The Foundation believes that everyone benefits when nonprofit leaders take their sabbaticals - the executive, other staff, board members, and recipients of the organization's services," said Foundation Executive Director Leslie Winner. "People who become leaders of



Back Row, from left, Greg Bounds, Lisa Twiggs, James Brooks; Front Row, from left, Doris Howington, Jackie Thamm.

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Family-owned businesses take home awards

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Family-owned businesses were honored earlier this month by the Wake Forest University Family Business Center.

More than 100 companies were nominated for the awards, which were narrowed down to four winners by faculty members from the WFU Schools of Business. The winners are: Young Transportation of Asheville in the Small Category; von Drehle Corp. of Hickory in the Medium Category; and



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Autobell Car Wash of Charlotte in the Large Category. The winner of the Century Award - for companies in operation for 100 years or more - is Moose Pharmacy of Mount Pleasant.

Moose Pharmacy opened in downtown in 1882 on the same location where the original store still stands at Main and Franklin streets in Mount Pleasant. It has remained independently owned and operated for four generations. Ann Garner Riddle, whose Winston-Salem-based T.W.

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Downtown clothing retailer opens doors

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"Modern Apparel with a New Level of Fashion" - that is how Level 23 describes the wide variety of men's and women's clothes it offers at its downtown store.

Level 23 opened late last week in the Loewy Building at the intersection of 4th and Poplar streets. The Loewy Building is owned by the Housing Authority of Winston-Salem (HAWs), which has its headquarters there and is landlord to several other businesses.

Level 23 is the building's first and only retail establishment. Last year, the offices of the Downtown Winston-Salem Partnership (DWSP) and the Winston-Salem State University Center for Community Safety vacated their street-level spots in the building to allow HAWs to market the prime space to



Staff Photo

Level 23 officially opened last Friday in the Loewy Building on Fourth Street.

retailers and eateries. Another retail establishment, Nu Shoes, is expected to open beside Level 23 soon.

Angela and Mike Pereira own Level 23. They say they hope to bring a new shopping experience to local residents.

"We thoroughly enjoy the downtown atmosphere," said Angela Pereira. "Traveling to other cities and seeing people walk and shop and gather in their downtowns, we wanted to be a part of that in our hometown - the downtown re-new-

New legal counsel at WSSU

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Camille L. Kluttz-Leach is replacing Beverly R. Mitchell as Winston-Salem State University's general counsel on July 1.

Mitchell has served in that position for nine years. The general counsel serves as the school's chief legal officer, providing legal advice to the chancellor and the Board of Trustees.

The general counsel reports directly to the chancellor and coordinates all legal matters affecting the university.



Kluttz-Leach

Kluttz-Leach had previously been with North Carolina A&T State University for six years, having served as special assistant to the chancellor for legal affairs and assistant legal counsel.

Prior to moving into higher education, Kluttz-Leach served as a staff attorney for the Montgomery County Department of Social Services; an attorney advocate for Guardian ad Litem in Winston-Salem; as a staff attorney for the Legal Aid Society of Northwest North Carolina; and had a private practice in Winston-Salem.

"We are extremely pleased and fortunate to have someone with the skills, abilities and experience that Camille L. Kluttz-Leach possesses to join our staff in the important role of general counsel," said Chancellor Donald Reaves. "Her work in higher education and in the non-profit sector has provided her with the background and experience that we believe will be of tremendous benefit to our University."

He added that "Camille is no stranger to WSSU, having held several temporary and contracting positions with the University since February 2008."

A graduate of Wake Forest University, where she earned a B.A. degree with a double major in sociology and psychology, Kluttz-Leach earned her Juris Doctor degree and completed Superior Court Mediation Training at North Carolina Central University School of Law. She is a member of the North Carolina Bar, the North Carolina Bar Association and its Education Law Council, the 18th Judicial District Bar, Delta Sigma Theta Sorority, Inc. and Jack and Jill of America, Inc.

For more information, go to www.level23fashions.com.