

Fire, police departments to celebrate black history

SPECIAL TO THE CHRONICLE

The city's Fire and Police departments will hold Black History Month programs this week.

On Friday, Feb. 18, at 11:30 a.m., the four surviving members of the city's first integrated fire station will be the guests of honor at the Fire Department's Black History Month Celebration. It will be held at the Diggs Gallery, 601 S. Martin Luther King Jr. Dr., on the campus of Winston-Salem State University.

Raphael O. Black, Willie J. Carter, Robert L. Grier and John Roi Thomas, the surviving members of the group of eight black firefighters the city hired in 1951, are scheduled to be at the celebration.

2011 marks the 60th anniversary of the establishment of the integrated fire company in 1951 at Station No. Four on Dunleith Avenue. The eight black firefighters joined seven white firefighters who volunteered to served with them. It was the first fire station in North Carolina to be



Alean Sims

integrated.

Speakers at the celebration include Mayor Allen Joines; Northeast Ward Council Member and Mayor Pro Tempore Vivian H. Burke, the chair of the Public Safety Committee; East Ward Council Member Derwin L. Montgomery and Fire Chief Antony Farmer.

The Winston-Salem Police Department will honor a retired detective, a community supporter, and the winners of its Black History Month coloring and essay contests during its 2nd annual Black History Month Celebration at 3 p.m. on Sunday, Feb. 20 at the Hanes Hosiery Recreation Center,

501 Reynolds Blvd.

At the program, retired Police Detective Alean Sims will be recognized for her contributions. Sims served the Police Department for more than 28 years and was one of the department's first female African-American detectives. Mattie Young, a resident in Cleveland Avenue Homes who has invested many years in helping the Police Department reduce crime in her community, will be presented the department's Community Service Award.

The school children who won the department's Black History Month coloring and essay contests will also be recognized, and the Wake Forest University Gospel Choir will perform.

Both events are open to the public. Mayor Allen Joines and Mayor Pro Tempore Vivian H. Burke are slated to speak at both events.

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Fresh Fire Worship to celebrate anniversary

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Fresh Fire Worship Center will celebrate its Fourth Church Anniversary from Feb. 20 - 27.

Speakers will include Apostle Brenda J. McCloud of Greater Tabernacle Worship Center on Feb. 20 at 4 p.m.; Bishop Andrian Starks of World Vision International Church of Greensboro on Feb. 23 at 7:30 p.m.; Pastor Shannon Jessup of Second New Bethel Church on Feb. 24 at 7:30 p.m.; and Bishop Manwell Grady of Potter's House of Greensboro on Feb. 25 at 7:30 p.m. Anniversary events will conclude on Sunday, Feb. 27 at 4 p.m. with Bishop Cremedy and Temple of



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Glory Ministries of Winston-Salem.

Fresh Fire Worship Center is a ministry that believes in family and equipping individuals for success in life through the word of God. Pastor Phillip and First Lady Michelle McCloud serve as senior pastors.

The church is located at 20 Barber St., off South Main Street and behind the Nitty Gritty Restaurant.

For more information, call the church at 36-833-4208.



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IN MEMORIAM

SCALES

On February 12, 2011, Jenny V. Snow Scales passed away at Regency Hospital in Atlanta, Ga. She was one hundred years old. Ms. Scales was born in Winston-Salem, NC, attended local schools, and graduated from Winston-Salem Teachers College, now Winston-Salem State University, with a B.A. in Education. Upon graduating, she taught in various Forsyth County schools. She married James Henry Scales of Tobaccolville, N. C., and moved to New York City, where she was employed as a Librarian while attending Columbia University. Moving to Bridgeport, Connecticut, she again worked as a Librarian, then resumed her teaching career as a Home Economics teacher in the public school system for over twenty years.

Mrs. Scales was predeceased by her husband of 49 years, James Henry Scales. She is remembered with love and admiration by her daughters, Snow Suzanne Scales Turner

of New Haven, Conn., and Kate Scales Little of Atlanta, Ga., grandsons Jerome Turner of Connecticut, Warren Turner of Tennessee, Khari Little of Atlanta, Kimani Little of Washington, DC and two great grandchildren, as well as nieces, June Soares and Beryl (Bobby) Mankins of Winston-Salem, Sadie Miller of Connecticut, Addie L. Martin of Maryland, Mary Louise Mims of Henderson, Otellia (James) Steward of Georgia, nephews Richard (Betty) Snow of California, Robert (Annetta) Wells of Alaska, Preston (Jean) Wells, Sr. of Virginia, James (Patti) Payne of Florida, and other relatives and in laws.

A Memorial Service will take place on Saturday, Feb. 19, 2011, at 1 p.m. at Saints Home United Methodist Church, 1390 Thurmond Street, Winston-Salem, NC with Rev. Ronnie Roseboro officiating. In lieu of flowers, the family suggests a contribution to Winston-Salem State University in her name.

PAST AWARD WINNERS



THE CHRONICLE CURRENTLY SEEKING NOMINATIONS:

26TH ANNUAL COMMUNITY SERVICE AWARDS

The Chronicle needs your help choosing the next recipients of our Community Service Awards.

The public is asked to nominate local people for one of several awards by using the nomination form below. Nominations can also be submitted through letters and emails but not phone calls. Letters and emails should give the nominee's name and contact information as well as factors that make the nominee worthy of being honored. The Community Service Awards program, now in its 26th year, honors individuals in the following categories: Man of the Year, Woman of the Year, Community Service, Lifetime Achievement, Human Relations, Public Safety and Community Organizations.

Judging for the Man and Woman of the Year awards will consider individuals who have demonstrated outstanding character and serve as role models for others.

Nominees for this category can be someone who has triumphed over a personal tragedy or someone who has helped others overcome obstacles.

Nominees should be people who have really stood out in their efforts over the last 12 months. Community Service Award nominees will be judged based on contributions to the community. The individual must have demonstrated a commitment through affiliation with community-service agencies, community institutions, schools, churches, etc. The Human Relations Award is given to a person who has done great work to bring people together across racial, social or class lines.

The recipients of the Lifetime Achievement Awards will be longtime stewards in the community. Each recipient of this award will be someone who has, over the years, epitomized what "role model" means. Nominees should be Piedmont Triad residents. The winners will be recognized in the March 2011 Community Awards Special Edition. The recipients will receive commemorative plaques at the 26th Annual Awards Banquet on March 19 at 6:00 p.m. at the Embassy Suites Hotel. Winners must be able to attend the banquet. Please print legibly and be as specific as possible in describing your nominee's accomplishments. Use additional paper if necessary.

Nominations must be received by THE CHRONICLE no later than 5 p.m. on Friday, February 18, 2011.

NOMINATION FORM:

- Man of the Year
- Woman of the Year
- Community Service Award
- Lifetime Achievement Award
- Human Relations Award

Nominee's Name _____
 Nominee's Address _____
 Nominee's Phone # (Home) _____
 Activities, memberships, affiliations _____
 Please explain briefly your candidate's service achievements: _____
 Your Name: _____
 Your Address: _____
 Your Phone # (Home) _____

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