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Rev. Willard Bass speaks.

Board gets earful at last forum

Residents want next superintendent to make minority students a top priority

BY TODD LUCK
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Parents, pastors, teachers and business leaders were among those who added their two cents to a weeks-long public dialogue about what qualities the next superintendent of the Winston-Salem/Forsyth County School System should have.

Members of the City-County School Board — who will select the man or woman who will replace Dr. Don Martin after he retires in June — got an earful last Thursday at Carver High School, during the last of four forums held to get the public's input on the superintendent selection. More than 75 people attended the forum, which was originally scheduled for Jan. 8 but

was moved up when many objected that the forum at Carver — the only forum site in a predominantly African American community — was slated after the Jan. 3 application deadline for superintendent applicants. Board members countered that the deadline date was not relevant since they won't begin to review applications until Jan. 10, but newly-elected School Board Vice Chair John Davenport said the Carver forum date was changed anyway so as to not give the perception that East Winston residents — Davenport's District 1 constituents — were being left out of the process.

"In terms of community relations, this is going to be a difficult process as it is," said Davenport. "We need to say 'yes' when we can."

The School Board, with funds donated by the local business community, has hired the North Carolina School Boards Association to help it find the best qualified candidates. Alison Schafer, who heads up the Association's superintendent search

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Lawmaker to take oath during emancipation program

Annual service will spotlight 150th anniversary of Emancipation Proclamation

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A celebration of history will be making a little history of its own.

New Year's Day, Jan. 1, will mark the 150th anniversary of the signing of the Emancipation Proclamation, and as has been its tradition for the last 50 years, the Winston-Salem/Forsyth County Emancipation Association will commemorate the signing of the historic document



Harry



Submitted Photo

Evelyn Terry was elected to the House in November.

— which gave slaves their freedom — with a free public observance, this year at Bethlehem Missionary Baptist Church, 1711 N. Claremont Ave. at 11 a.m. State Rep.-elect Evelyn Terry is adding to that tradition this year. In lieu of a typical Raleigh swearing-in ceremony,

she will take the oath during the Emancipation Association's program, which will also feature a sermon, a reading of President Lincoln's proclamation and the presentation of scholarships to college-bound teens.

Democrat Terry, who will succeed Larry Womble as the 71st District's representative in the General Assembly, said she couldn't think of a better place to be formally installed.

"It is absolutely fitting and appropriate for the (great granddaughter) of former slaves," said Terry. "I can just see my relatives smiling down from heaven."

Terry, who was elected

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No Sweat?

Study by local doctor confirms that some black women skip exercise because of hair concerns

BY LAYLA GARMES
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Before many black woman decide whether to work up a sweat by jogging on the treadmill or gliding on the elliptical, they have an even more pressing dilemma — what to do with their hair.

A study by Dr. Amy McMichael, interim chair of Dermatology at Wake Forest Baptist Medical Center, that found that some black women avoid exercise because of its negative affect on their hair made national headlines last week.

McMichael, who has been practicing for nearly two decades, said she launched her study, recently published in the Journal of the American Medical Association (JAMA) network's Archives of Dermatology, after noticing some disturbing trends among her African

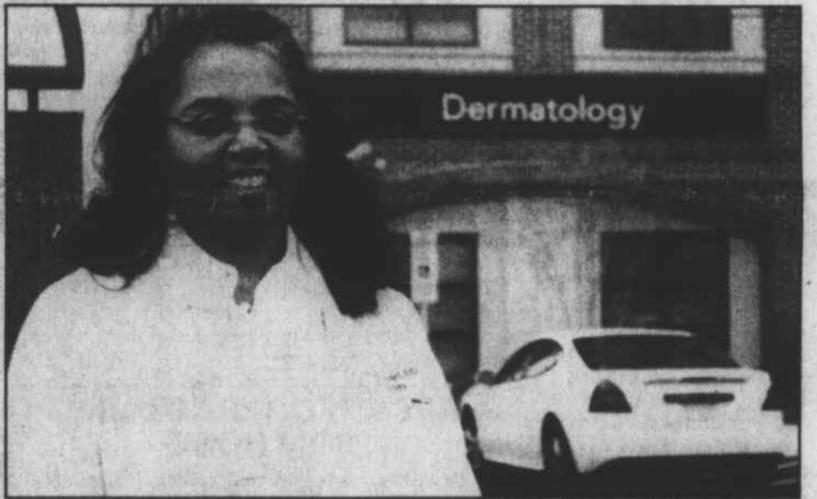


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Dr. Amy McMichael stands outside her office on Country Club Road.

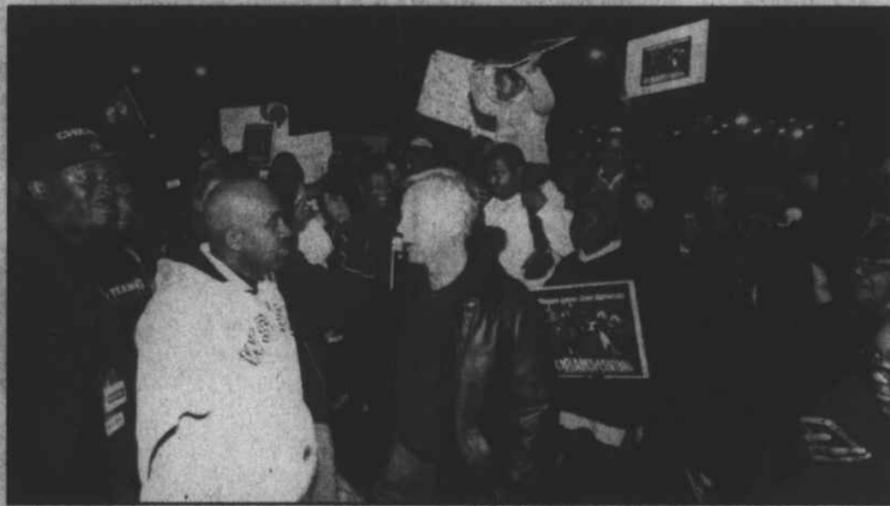
American female patients, many of whom were seeking treatments for conditions related to being overweight or obese.

"One of my approaches as a physi-

cian is to find out how can I help them be more overall healthy and part of that is to ask if they exercise," explained the Philadelphia native. "It seems like (con-

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Still the Mighty Rams



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Mayor Allen Joines (foreground, right) was among the fans at Smith Reynolds Airport on Dec. 15 to welcome home Winston-Salem State Head Football Coach Connell Maynor (pictured speaking to Joines) and his team after their tough loss earlier in the day in Florence, Ala. in the NCAA DII Championship game. Read more about the Rams' awesome season on page B8.

Club makes special delivery at Kimberley Park

BY LAYLA GARMES
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Members of the Les Arbres Social Club lent a helping hand to students at Kimberley Park Elementary School last week.

Les Arbres President Michael Williams, his wife, Eleanor Dalton Williams, and Les Arbres member Yvonne Sims accompanied Club Founder Manuel Johnson to the elementary school campus on Dec. 14 to deliver a load of toys and goodies that were distributed to

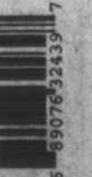
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From left: Les Arbres Social Club members Yvonne Sims, Eleanor Dalton Williams, Michael Williams, Manuel "Brick" Johnson and Principal Dr. Amber Baker.

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