



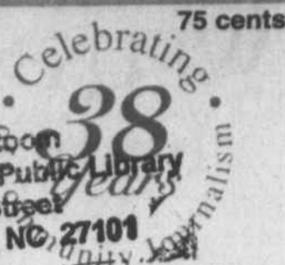
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Paul bowling fundraiser to be held

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Norma Corley shows off her Obama pride hat.

D.C.-Bound

Twin City residents excited about taking in inauguration

BY LAYLA GARMS
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Winston-Salem will be well-represented at next week's presidential inaugural ceremonies in Washington, D.C.

The second inauguration of President Barack Obama is set for Jan. 21, the same day as the national Dr. Martin Luther King Jr. holiday. Several local groups are hosting bus trips to the nation's capitol, affording Twin City residents with a unique opportunity to witness history.



Pierre Burton is headed to Washington, D.C. next week.

City native Pierre Burton and his pastor, Rev. Paul Lowe, are chartering a 50-passenger bus to take locals to the event. Trip-goers are paying \$90 for transportation to and from the event.

Some people have never been to D.C. at all," said Burton, a member of Shiloh Baptist Church for the past 30 years.

Burton, a retired R.J. Reynolds employee, missed President Obama's first inauguration because of illness. He thinks this may be his last chance to witness history.

"I don't want to miss out on it this time around because this is probably the last time I'll have the opportunity to see an African American president inaugurated," said the grandfather of one.

School guidance counselor Norma Corley was on hand for the historic swearing in of President Obama in 2009.

"It was wonderful," said Corley, who has served the local school system since 1998. "It was a lot of excitement in the air, a zillion people, and it just seemed like we were all on one accord, not only to be a part of his swearing in, but it was a unity among the people. It was like a family reunion, really."

The city native is returning for Monday's inauguration and is just as excited as last time.

"A lot of people who went on that original

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Carver pins hopes on former NFL star

BY LAYLA GARMS
THE CHRONICLE

City native and former NFL baller Germane Crowell is the newest head football coach at Carver High School.

Crowell, who played six seasons for the Detroit Lions and a single season for the New Orleans Saints, accepted the position Jan. 11.

"I'm feeling great," the father of four said of his new position. "I'm definitely excited about the opportunity to coach high school football, but I'm more excited about the opportunity to build strong character in young men and use football as a vehicle to do that."

Crowell is currently an exceptional children's teacher's assistant at his alma mater, North Forsyth High School, but will be joining the staff at Carver within the coming week.

"I'm very excited to work with this generation of 'kids,'" said the University of Virginia alumnus. "I really think that the high school level is the level where you can

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Carver Principal Ronald Travis (left) welcomes the school's new head football coach, Germane Crowell.

Catching the Spirit



Photo by Layla Garms

Members of Emmanuel Baptist Church's En Motion Mime Ministry perform during the N.C. Black Reparatory Company's 28th annual Dr. Martin Luther King Jr. Birthday Celebration on Tuesday. More than a dozen acts performed before a packed-house. More about the event will be included in our special MLK section next week.

Back to Work program retraining locals

BY LAYLA GARMS
THE CHRONICLE

City native Karen Austin never imagined she'd find herself in the unemployment line.

But in April, Austin was laid off from her job after 27 years with a local security firm. It was a devastating blow for the grandmother of eight.

"It really has been hard on me," she said of drawing unemployment.

Fortunately for Austin, help was on the way. The N.C. State Board of Community Colleges selected Forsyth Technical



Kimberly Mitchell

Community College and 15 other community colleges statewide to receive funding through Back to Work, a \$5 million partnership



Karen Austin

between the Board and the state Department of Commerce designed to help the long term unemployed return to the work-

force. Forsyth Tech received over \$711,000 to help retrain unemployed citizens of Forsyth and Stokes counties through the program, which ends June 30, 2013.

The program is a welcome addition to the assortment of grant-funded programs the community college currently offers to the unemployed, Anderson said.

"It's a rarity to find funding for short term non-credit courses," she remarked. "It's a wonderful infusion of funding to allow us to help more peo-

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Some to spend MLK holiday helping others and causes



BY TODD LUCK
THE CHRONICLE

Many will be honoring Dr. Martin Luther King Jr. on Monday - the federal holiday in his honor - by giving back to their communities.

In 1994, 11 years after the MLK holiday began - Congress declared it a national day of service, encouraging Americans to honor King's legacy by volunteering their time for worthy causes.

Organizers of a clean-up event at Odd Fellows

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Photo by Todd Luck

WSSU's Adreanna Williams is volunteering to honor Dr. King.

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