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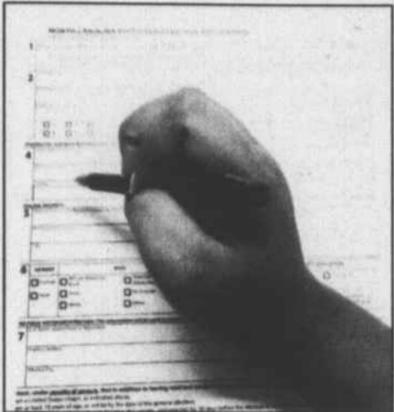
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## Clock winding down to register

BY CHANEL DAVIS  
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The voter registration machine is in full-throttle now that the Oct. 10 deadline is in plain sight.

"We have trained a lot of other groups on voting registration. We are making that last minute push," said Linda Sutton of Democracy Winston-Salem: The Voting Rights Coalition. "We have been working in surrounding counties also helping various groups get their registration together."

Republican lawmakers did away with same-day registration (although the NC NAACP is still challenging that in court), so those who are not registered by the deadline will not be able to vote in the crucial midterms.

NAACP branches across the state have been encouraged to hold or join registration efforts, according to S. Wayne Patterson, the president of the Winston-Salem branch.

Patterson said his branch has held eight registration drives this year, three of those were just in the past few weeks.

"We are trying to push the efforts through churches and community events," he said. "The local elections are very important for the school board, judges and the U.S. Senate race between Kay Hagan and Thom Tillis. These are races that everyone should be focused on."

While residents can go to the Forsyth County Board of Elections web site (<http://www.co.forsyth.nc.us/elections/>) to register or drop by the office in the Forsyth County Government Center (201 N. Chestnut St.), advocates are making it even easier to register. Temporary workers have been hired - at \$12 an hour - by grassroots organizing firms to scour the city looking

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## Controversial 'wall' removed

Critics say bar tried to shield itself from neighbor's black patrons

BY TODD LUCK  
THE CHRONICLE

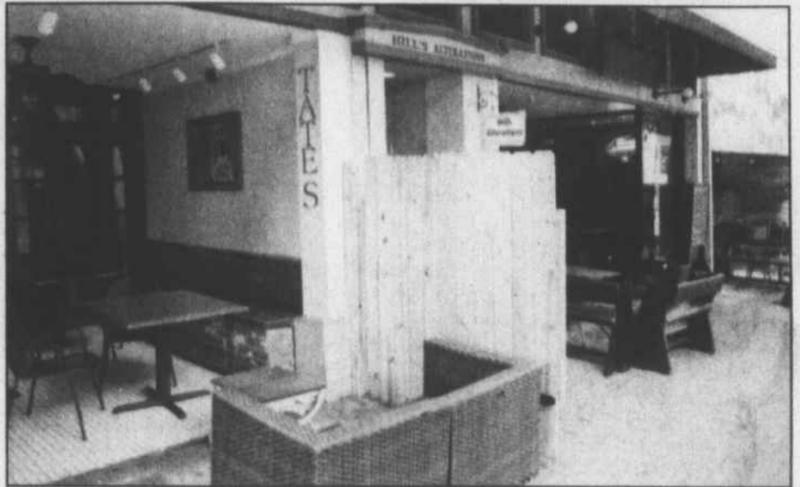
A wooden, retractable wall at Tate's Craft Cocktails that shielded its front patio from that of neighboring Wingz and Spirtz Sports Bar has been removed after months of speculation about it.

Tate's said the wall - a more than six-foot tall picket-fence-like structure - was erected as a noise barrier.

Wingz and Spirtz owner Souphab "Soup" Daoheang and many of his customers maintain it went up to shield Tate's largely white, professional customer base from the overwhelmingly black clientele who frequent the sports bar.



Daoheang



Photos by Todd Luck

The Tate's 'wall' as it looked last week. Part of Wingz and Spirtz's patio - with the black benches - can also be seen.

Last week, when the wall was still up, Daoheang said he felt his sports bar, one of several watering holes along Fourth Street, has not been embraced by other downtown businesses, especially Tate's, because of a misconception that the bar is dangerous and rowdy. He said the race of his customers is fueling those stereotypes.

The erection of the wall earlier this year was a manifestation of that bias and misperception, he said.

"I find it offensive for both me and my costumers," Daoheang said of the wall. "Their actions speak much louder than words."

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Patterson



WSSU Photo by Garrett Garris

Dr. Elwood Robinson (right) poses with his wife, Denise, and son, Devin, last week at WSSU.

## 'WHERE IS MY OFFICE?'

Incoming chancellor ready to get started at WSSU

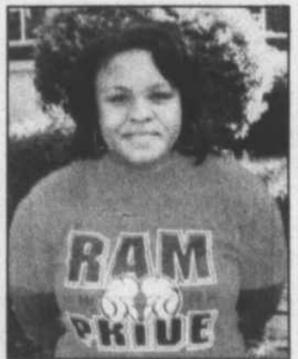
BY T. KEVIN WALKER  
THE CHRONICLE

During his first public remarks on the campus that he will soon lead, Winston-Salem State Chancellor-in-waiting Dr. Elwood Robinson quoted one of the greats - LeBron James.

"I'm coming home," Robinson said, echoing the NBA star's declaration after he announced his return to his hometown team: the Cleveland Cavaliers.

A superstar in his own right - at least in educational circles - Robinson will leave his post as provost and vice-president of Academic Affairs at Cambridge (Mass.) College to return to North Carolina, where he was born, raised and spent the bulk of his career. On Jan. 1, the 58 year-old will succeed Dr. Donald Reaves, who is retiring after eight years as WSSU's chancellor.

The UNC Board of Governors met at



Sedwick

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Submitted Photo  
**Bobbie Lynch, a former local educator, has a new career in Texas.**

BY TODD LUCK  
THE CHRONICLE

North Carolina is losing teachers as they look for better pay and working conditions in other states.

North Carolina, before this school year's raise, was ranked 46th in the

nation in teacher pay by the National Education Association. Moving to states as close as South Carolina can net teachers a \$10,000 or more salary increase.

The new pay scale this year will range from \$33,000 to \$50,000 for teachers with bachelor's degrees, but many say

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