



Johnny Moore with Patsy Dillard.



IFB After Dark attendees (from left) Darrell Webb, Darrell Glenn, David Phillips and Greg Phillips.

IFB holds '50s-inspired fundraiser

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Winston-Salem Industries for the Blind held its 10th Annual After Dark Gala on Sept. 27 on its Winston-Salem cam-

pus off North Point Boulevard.

In honor of the event's presenting sponsor, Miracles in Sight (formerly known as The North Carolina Eye

Bank), the gala had a 1950s-inspired theme, commemorating the establishment of the Eye Bank in 1951. More than 300 guests dressed in their vintage best as they

toured the recently-expanded Community Low Vision Center, Eye Care Education Center and Tracy's Little Red School House, where

children in the SEE (Student Enrichment Experience) program demonstrated independent living skills resources.

All proceeds from After Dark benefit IFB's community programs through its supporting A Brighter Path Foundation.

Military Notes

High Point native Petty Officer 2nd Class **Bradley Johnson** is serving aboard USS John S. McCain. He is a personnel specialist aboard the ship, which operates out of Japan.

A 27 year-old with numerous responsibilities, Johnson said he is learning about himself as a leader, Sailor and a person.

"I'm learning something new each day," said Johnson.

He also said he is proud of the work he is doing as part of the McCain's 300-member crew, living thousands of miles from home, and protecting America on the world's oceans.

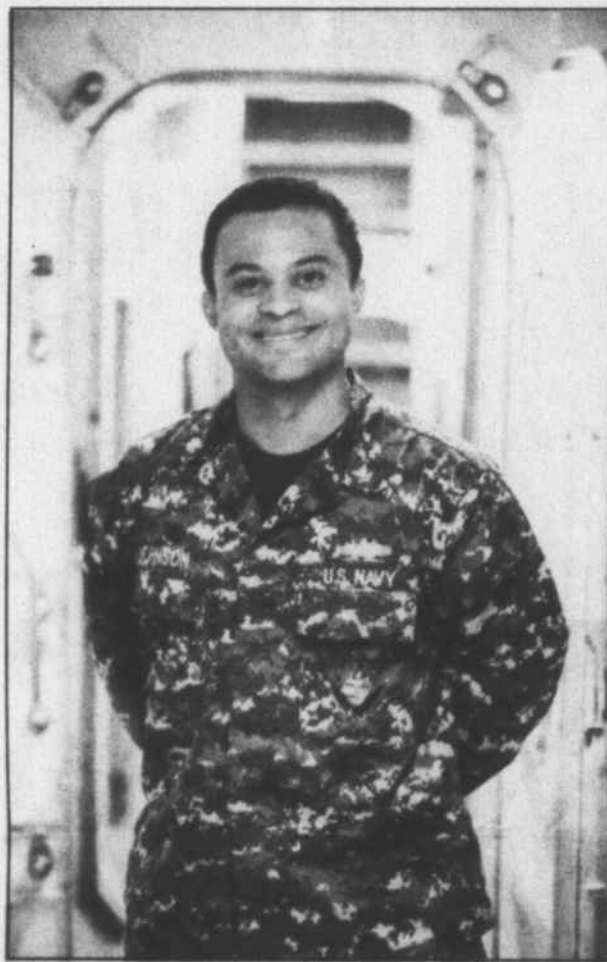
"I am serving my country and at the same time I am going to places like Hong Kong, Thailand and Guam," Johnson added.

Approximately 40 officers and 260 enlisted men make up the ship's company. Their jobs are highly specialized and keep each part of the 2 billion dollar destroyer running smoothly — this includes everything from washing dishes and preparing meals to maintaining engines and handling weaponry.

As a member of one of the U.S. Navy's most versatile combat ships, Johnson and other John S. McCain sailors understand they are part of a forward deployed team that is heavily relied upon to help protect and defend America across the world's oceans.

"I followed in my dad's footsteps and joined the Navy. Today, I am expanding my horizon, growing professionally and personally and I am proud of that," Johnson added.

Army Pvt. **Joshua Bielata** has graduated from basic combat train-



Bradley Johnson on the USS John S. McCain.

ing at Fort Jackson, Columbia, S.C.

During the nine weeks of training, the soldier studied the Army mission, history, tradition and core values, physical fitness, and received instruction and practice in basic combat skills, military weapons, chemical warfare and bayonet training, drill and ceremony, marching, rifle marksmanship, armed and unarmed combat, map reading, field tactics, military courtesy, military justice system, basic first aid, foot marches, and field training exercises.

Bielata is the son of Michele and Robert Bielata of Fort Mill, S.C. He is a 2014 graduate of Carver High School in Winston-Salem.

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City of Winston-Salem Community Agency Grants Workshop

The City Council has adopted a new process by which grant requests from community agencies will be reviewed and approved. Non-profits and other organizations seeking city financial support should attend this workshop.

Tuesday Oct. 21, 2 to 4 p.m.
Mazie Woodruff Center, 4905 Lansing Dr.

Workshop topics:

- The new application and review process
- Documents you will need to request a grant
- How to get help preparing a grant request
- Grant request calendar and deadlines

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