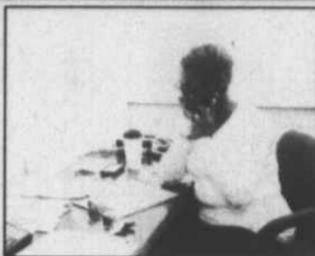




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Marchers depart from United Metropolitan on Sunday.

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## Local Liberians feel impact of Ebola

BY CHANEL DAVIS THE CHRONICLE

Messa Hunder was looking forward to seeing Thelma Allen next month. The sisters haven't been face-to-face since 1994. But their reunion is on hold for the time being. Hunder, a native Liberian, says the Ebola outbreak in the West African country has made it difficult for her to secure a flight home.

"I haven't seen her for a long time, and it hurts me to know that if she has that disease, I won't see her anymore," she said. "I went to British Airways to get my ticket, and they told me I wouldn't be able to fly in." (The Chronicle could not independently verify that British Airways has implemented West Africa flight restrictions.)

Winston-Salem has a large and vibrant Liberian-American community; they have been affected in myriad ways by Ebola and the worldwide hysteria surrounding it. Hunder and other local Liberians were at City Hall last week when Mayor Allen Joines announced plans to send aid to Liberia, one of several African countries that have become Ground Zero in the battle to tame the virulent sickness.

The Centers for Disease Control and Prevention estimates that Ebola has claimed the lives of roughly 2,705 Liberians in recent months. Hunder says her sister is Ebola free, but Allen's health is a source of constant worry.

"They are feeling scared," Hunder said of her sister and other family. "I told them not to go anywhere like the marketplace or churches where many people are. I admonish her to not shake any hands. When I call her, she's home but it is scary for me because I have other friends in Liberia. I fear for them having to go through the (decade-long civil) war and now this."

The City of Winston-Salem, Novant Health Forsyth Medical Center and Wake Forest Baptist Health are sending medical supplies to the country through the non-profit Samaritan's Purse.

The Liberian Organization of the Piedmont, which is led by Messa's husband, James Hunder, had implored local leaders to take action. Medical gowns, syringes, surgical masks and shields, catheters, gloves and shoe covers valued at between \$10,000 to \$15,000 are being sent.

According to Kendall Kauffeldt, director of Liberia and West Africa donations for Samaritan's Purse, much of the equipment will be used in homes.



Messa Hunder



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## Sunday voting rally attracts hundreds

BY T. KEVIN WALKER THE CHRONICLE

They marched. They chanted and sang. They voted. Souls to the Polls in Winston-Salem accomplished its mission Sunday. About 300 people left their home churches and zipped over to United Metropolitan Missionary Baptist Church. They picked out signs and banners to carry, and after getting a few directions from Ministers Conference of Winston-Salem and Vicinity President Willard Bass, they began the 10 minute trek down Third Street and up Chestnut Street.

The chants grew louder as they reached the Board of Elections in the Forsyth County Government Center. "This is what Democracy looks like," they shouted.

Inside the building, their commitment to democracy – and their patience – would be tested: early voters waited in a line that snaked up a flight of stairs. Up to an hour was given as the estimated wait time.

The scene vexed Linda Sutton, the city representative for the grassroots voting rights group Democracy North

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Members of Carolina Cruisers wait across from the Forsyth County Government Center.

## Celebrations planned as library turns 60

BY CHANEL DAVIS THE CHRONICLE

Organizers of the 60th anniversary celebration for the Malloy/Jordan East Winston Heritage Center want residents with fond memories of the center – the city's historically black library – to share them.

"This library has been a staple in the African-American community, and we would like to preserve and acknowledge that information," said Abiodun Harris, program director of the Friends of the Malloy/Jordan East Winston Heritage Center.

The library began in a small room in the now defunct Chestnut Street YWCA branch in February 1927. The room was named the George Moses Horton branch and was designated for blacks. It moved to a free-standing building on East Sixth Street in 1937 and expanded to include a Children's Room. In April 1953, the library moved



Abiodun Harris (from left), James Ford and Brenda Robinson stand in front of the Malloy/Jordan East Winston Heritage Center.

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## Teacher's book helps children understand cancer

BY TODD LUCK THE CHRONICLE

Cook Elementary School teacher Jen-Ai Childress has penned her first children's book. It's about the very difficult subject of breast cancer.

In the recently-released "London Giselle Hall presents My Beautiful Mommy," the title character is a kindergartener who has to explain to her classmates why her mother has a shiny bald head. She tells them her mom is still beautiful, even without hair.

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A photo of Melody Whitaker Hall is displayed.



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Jen-Ai Childress holds her debut book.

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