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LaDeara Crest residents with Community Resource Director Ike Black (right).

LaDeara Crest hosts first Neighbor Nite

SPECIAL TO THE CHRONICLE

The residents of LaDeara Crest, a name derived from the Spanish word ladera, or mountain-side, began the New Year together by convening their first Neighbor Nite on Thursday, Jan. 15 (the actual birthday of Dr. Martin Luther King Jr.) from 6-8 p.m. at the community resource center. The event, which included dinner and a discussion of community initiatives, was co-sponsored by Neighbors for Better Neighborhoods

(NBN) and the United Way of Forsyth County.

Neighbor Nites, an NBN creation that currently operates in multiple Winston-Salem locations, are where residents connect to discuss and share resources in their own neighborhoods and where they plan projects that directly benefit their families. NBN, a local organization that partners with neighborhood groups, supports and enhances resident-led activities by providing organizing assistance, technical support, and funding as needed.

LaDeara's next Neighbor Nite is planned for Thursday, Feb. 19 from 6-8 p.m. at the community resource center. All residents are invited to attend.

Contact NBN at 336-602-2519 or arue@nbn-community.org for more information.

Peppers

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life, the eunuch agrees to a 10-day trial. Pulse is all foods coming from seeds. This is not an endorsement of a vegetarian diet. After the 10 days, the four Hebrew guys look better than the others in training. Now the eunuch puts all of them on pulse. Because of their devotion, God rewards the four with knowledge and understanding in many areas. Daniel also receives the gift of interpreting visions and dreams.

Then we jump to Matthew where Jesus gives a lesson on devotion based on fasting. As part of the Sermon on the Mount, the Saviour warns the disciples and the crowd not to put on a "show of holiness." Whatever is done as an act of worship should be sincere without drawing attention to self. The hypocrites (Pharisees in this case) want to display their

"holiness" for all to see. Their behavior puts them above everyone else; or does it?

Life's Application:

For February we focus on being good stewards as a way to worship. God made us caretakers of this creation. To do a good job, we must first take care of self. The world, ruled by humans, uses all types of images for success, beauty, and power. If we fall prey to this indoctrination, we lose our identity and fail to care for each other and creation. To be good stewards, we must pray continuously, be disciplined and depend on God to get the job done! Unfortunately, our public persona is a farce because we really are mean-spirited, self-centered, power hungry folk who care nothing or very little about others. Do we devote ourselves to the things of God - love, long suffering, mercy, forgiveness, inclusiveness or do we chase the bubbles of life?

Religion

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Corinthians 13:13). The public is invited. The church can be contacted at 336-721-1959.

Ongoing

Bible class

Love Community Development Center, 3980 N. Liberty St., offers a Bible class on Wednesdays at noon and 7 p.m. For more information or prayer request, call 336-306-8119 or email lovecenter45@yahoo.com.

'Men Helping Men'

Calvary Hill Church of Greater Deliverance Inc., 4951 Manning St., invites all men to come to the "Men Helping Men Be Men" fellowship every Tuesday from 6:30 to 8 p.m. Contact Elder Kevin Gary for more information at 336-767-4326.

Sunday service schedule

Trinity Chapel Church, 4670 N. Patterson Ave. in Hidden Valley Business Park, invites the public to attend its services every Sunday. Sunday School is from 9:45-10:45 a.m. and morning worship service is at 11 a.m. Call 336-723-4626 or 336-978-0801 for more information. The host pastors are Rev. James E. Gaskins and First Lady Donese Gaskins.

Clothing closet

SJ Boutique, which is housed at St. James AME Church, 1501 N. Patterson Ave., will be open every second, fourth and fifth Saturday of each month from 10 a.m. to 2 p.m. The free clothes boutique is open to the public. The church's pastor is Steven L. Lyons.

Volunteering opportunities

The Faith in Action Care Program provides services to adults age 60 and over in the greater Winston-Salem area. Shepherd's Center volunteers provide transportation for medical appointments and groceries shopping, assist with minor home repairs, visit homebound older adults and provide respite for caregivers. Anyone wishing to assist with these needs or provide meaningful, heartfelt support to an isolated older adult may call 336-748-0217 or visit the agency website at www.shepherds-center.org for more information.

Fellowship

Calvary Hill Church of Greater Deliverance Inc., 4951 Manning St., invites the public to the Bethesda Center once a month on Tuesday at 6:30 p.m. for fellowship. Great preaching and teaching. Contact Elder Tammy Miles for information at 336-744-3012.

Church will host talk on bias

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On Tuesday, Feb. 3, the Institute for Dismantling Racism (IDR) will convene a community dialogue to explore pathways to reach a just and flourishing Winston-Salem. The dialogue will commence at 6:30 p.m. at Green Street United Methodist Church, 639 S. Green St. It is free and all are invited to take part.

The dialogue will address the following three issues:

- What does a vision of the future of our city in which all communities flourish look like?
- What are the obstacles for realizing this vision?
- How will we negotiate these obstacles successfully?

Panelists will include Mayor Allen Joines, Winston-Salem State University Dean of College

Dr. Cory D.B. Walker, United Way of Forsyth County CEO Cindy Gordineer, Wake Forest Vice Provost Dr. Barbee Oakes, Forsyth County Manger Dudley Watts and Forsyth County Commissioner Walter Marshall.

The Institute for Dismantling Racism, soon to be known as the Freedom Tree IDR, is the brainchild of Rev. Willard Bass Jr., assistant pastor at Green Street.

IDR came into fruition in July 2004. The IDR functions to address issues of race in authentic and new ways, and offers workshops and training interventions that educate, enlighten, and move people to question their individual and institutional socialization.

Through ongoing engagement with the IDR and its advocates, a team building process has been developed that focuses on building authentic trust. With authentic trust comes a commitment to the work of dismantling racism.



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