

Community Calendar

Black Chamber of Commerce Meeting

The Winston-Salem Black Chamber of Commerce will meet on today (July 2) at 7 p.m. at the Enterprise Center on 1922 Martin Luther King, Jr. Dr. Guest speaker will be Senator Paul Lowe, Jr. of Forsyth County's 32nd District. For more information call 336-575-2006 or e-mail info@wsblackchamber.com.

Collection Changes

City offices will be closed Friday, July 3, to observe the Independence Day holiday. CityLink, the city's citizen service call center, will be staffed from 9 a.m. - 5:30 p.m. to assist citizens and will be available outside of those hours for water, sewer and other non-911 emergencies. Recycling and yard-waste collections will follow the normal schedule. Garbage collections for Tuesday through Thursday will be held as usual. Friday routes will be collected on Monday, July 6. For more information call CityLink 311.

Army Band at Historic Park

The 440th Army Band will perform at the Historic Bethabara Park on Friday, July 3 at 7 p.m. The band will perform a free concert under the pavilion at the park. For more information call 336-924-8191 or visit www.bethabara-park.org.

USA Football FUNDamentals

Former NFL defensive end Jay Williams will host a USA Football FUNDamentals clinic for children ages 5-18 on July 6-8, from 6 p.m. - 8 p.m., at the Character Football League Facility at Winston Salem Preparatory School. The free, three-day clinic is designed to introduce children to football by teaching basic skills in a fun and energetic environment and is supported through a grant from the NFL Foundation. Registration is available at www.usafootball.com/fun or onsite July 6 beginning at 5 p.m.

United Way Open Meeting

The United Way of Forsyth County is having an information session on Tuesday, July 7 at 3:30 p.m. at Carver High School on 3545 Carver School Rd. There will be two Place-based Application Release and Review meetings on Thursday, July 9 from 3 p.m. - 4 p.m., or Monday, July 13 from 11 a.m. - noon. To RSVP for these meetings, contact Noelle Stevenson at noelle.stevenson@uwforsyth.org. For more information, go to forsythunitedway.org/place-impacts.cfm.

Salem Band Concert

The Salem Band will have its annual Patriotic Concert on Tuesday, July 7 (Rain date: July 8) at 7:30 p.m. at the Salem Square in Old Salem (Academy and Main Streets). They will be honoring veterans in the community with marches, sing-alongs and music to honor all who served in the military, including John Williams' "Midway March." This event is free and open to the public. For more information contact Eileen Young at 336-413-2180 or e-mail at eileenyoung@triad.rr.com.

Forsyth County Senior Democrats Meeting

Gene Nichol will address the Forsyth Senior Democrats on Thursday, July 7 at 9 a.m. at the Golden Corral on 4965 University Pkwy. His topic will be "A fight for North Carolina's Decency". Members and guests wanting the breakfast buffet and/or beverages will be able to enter the restaurant beginning at 8:30 a.m. For more information, contact Jim Shaw at 336-287-5053 or e-mail JamesWSHawSr1@gmail.com.

Happy Hill Community Reunion

The 22nd Annual Happy Hill Community Reunion will be on Friday, July 10, from 7 p.m. - 10 p.m. at the William C. Sims Sr. Recreation Center. The theme for this year is "The Importance of A Father in the Community." We are asking former residents of the Happy Hill Community, 1201 Alder Street, to bring a picture of

their father or father figure to the center from Thursday July 2 - Tuesday, July 7. Please write the names on masking tape on the back of the pictures. The pictures will be displayed on a table supplied by Maurice Johnson. The speakers for this year reunion are: Phillip Carter, Bishop Todd Fulton and Thomas Orr all from the Happy Hill Community. For information contact Ben Piggott at benp@cityofws.org.

"Because We Care" Forum

The Black Women's Agenda, Inc., and AARP will be having a forum on Saturday, July 11 from 2 p.m. - 4 p.m. at the M.C. Benton Convention Center, North Main Hall A on 201 W. Fifth St. Registration is at 1:30 p.m. This event will also include a health fair with information and screenings provided by local health care providers. For more information, call 336-418-0366 or e-mail vedwards@embarqmail.com.

Countermand Amendment Seminars

Charles Kacprowicz, Founder and National Director of Citizen Initiatives, will be the featured speaker at several Countermand Amendment Seminars on Friday, July 17. The two locations he will be speaking at is the Cities Grill and Bar on 2438 S. Strafford Rd., from noon - 2 p.m., and at the Carriage House Restaurant on 1409 S. Strafford Rd., from 7 p.m. - 9 p.m. There will be a Q&A Session. Seating is limited. For more information go to director@countermands.us or call 828-374-0009.

The Big Chill

The Shalom Project, in partnership with The Dash and BB&T Ballpark is hosting The Big Chill: an afternoon of ice-cream and baseball on Sunday, July 19 from 3 p.m. - 6 p.m. at the BB&T Ballpark. Ticket prices are \$6 per person from 3 to 4 p.m. at the Founder's Club Entrance at the gate of the Ballpark. The price of each ticket includes entrance to The Big Chill and a lawn seat for that day's ballgame! At 4 p.m. all gates at the ballpark will open; however, entrance to the Founder's Club/Big Chill will be \$2 on top of the ticket price to the game. For more information or interested in participating, please contact Scott Chappell by phone at 336.721.0606 or by email at theshalomproject@gmail.com.

Youth Character Football League

Registration for the Youth Character Football League 2015 is underway. The cost is \$125. There's flag football, contact football, cheerleading, flag dancers and a drumline team. Deadline is Aug. 1. For more information, contact the YCFL Director, Tom Brown at 336-486-7566 or e-mail him at djtom51@gmail.com.

Summer Conservatory

The Salvation Army of Winston-Salem is still taking applications for its 2015 Academy of Music and Arts Summer Conservatory. The Salvation Army has partnered with the Winston-Salem Symphony and is now offering violin as an elective. For more information call 336-970-0608 or go to <http://www.salvationarmycarolinas.org/winston-salem/porgrams/academy-of-music-and-arts>. Applications will continue to be accepted until filled.

Summer Science Program

GlaxoSmithKline is having a "Science in the Summer" free educational program coming to Winston-Salem at SciWorks at the Science Center and Environmental Park of Forsyth County. The classes are open to students entering second through sixth grade, separated into two levels based on age group. GSK Science in the Summer encourages elementary students to get involved in STEM learning. Registration is now underway. Contact Kelli Isenhour, SciWorks' vice president of education, at 336-714-7106 (or kisenhour@sci-works.org) with questions about the local classes or to register.

Noontime Organ Recitals

Old Salem Museums and Gardens is hosting a series of free concerts on Wednesdays throughout the month of July at noon in the James A. Gray, Jr., Auditorium in the Old Salem Visitor Center. There will be different performers playing on the Tannenberg Organ. For more information, visit old-salem.org or call 336-721-7300.

Art Exhibit

"We are the Music Makers", a photography/multimedia exhibit featuring the pioneers of southern music will open in the Simona Atkins Allen Gallery from July 7 to August 29 at the Delta Fine Art Center on 2611 New Walkertown Rd. Tim Duffy, Music Makers founder will speak on Thursday, July 9 at 6 p.m. with music from John Dee Holeman. The closing reception will be on Thursday, Aug. 27 from 6 p.m. - 8 p.m. with "We are the Music Makers" blues revue. Free and open to the public. For more information, call 336-722-2625 or visit www.deltartaarts-center.org.

Community Fish Fry

The Freedom Tree at IDR is hosting a fundraiser and community fish fry on Saturday, July 25 from noon to 4 p.m. at Lienbach Shelter on 3511 Sally Kirk Road. Meal tickets are \$10 per person with discount options available. All proceeds will go to the IDR. For tickets contact the Rev. Willard Bass at 240-751-5000 or 336-671-8226, or come to the IDR office at Green Street United Methodist Church on 639 S. Green St.

ADA 25th Anniversary

Several local groups are hosting the 25th anniversary of the passage of The American with Disabilities Act on Friday, July 24 from 2 p.m. - 7 p.m. at the Triad Park in Kernersville at Shelters 6 and 7. There will be live entertainment, food vendors, information booths, guest speakers and more. Admission is free. For information or to volunteer, contact Mark Steele, ADA25 Steering Committee Chair at 336-767-7060 or msteele@theadaptables.com.

Blue and White Summer Ball

The Garden of Iris is hosting a Blue and White Summer Ball on Saturday, July 25 from 9 p.m. to 1 a.m. at Post 128 on 4817 Old Rural Hall Rd. A donation of \$10 will include food and door prizes. For more information, contact Dianne Porter at 336-740-6111.

A.H. Anderson Class of 1970 reunion

The 1970 Class of A.H. Anderson High School will celebrate its 45th reunion at the McNeil Ballroom at the Anderson Center on the campus of Winston-Salem State University on Saturday, Aug. 1. The evening will include: a "meet and greet" rolling reception/registration; a tour of the Anderson Center; recognition of former faculty and staff; dinner and dancing with music provided by Keith Byrd. Class members will join in worship on August 2 at Wentz Memorial United Church of Christ. All Anderson alumni who wish to join in this celebration can find more information by registering at <http://www.ahanderson1970.reunionmanager.com/> or by contacting Wayne Ledbetter at 336-924-5910.

Fairground Fridays and K Camp performances

Fairground Fridays will be held every Friday (rain or shine) through July 31 at the Winston-Salem Fairgrounds. Admission is free. Then on Aug. 7, Fairground Fridays will turn into a Teentastic event. K Camp will perform at the Winston-Salem Fairgrounds at the headline act for the Teentastic activities offered this year as part of the National Black Theatre Festival. Other activities will include a dance contest, gospel music workshop and concert and a formal event. All activities will be held from 7 p.m. to midnight on Aug. 6-8. For more information on both events, contact Emerald Bowman at 336-734-1221.

Community Briefs

Reverend Gloria Thomas receives Doctorate degree

Rev. Gloria Loretta Thomas of Tobacoville received a Doctorate of Ministry degree from Hood Theological Seminary in Salisbury, NC, at the commencement ceremony on May 16, 2015. Rev. Thomas also holds a B.S. and M.A. from High Point University and a M.Div. from Hood. She is pastor of John Wesley A.M.E. Zion Church in Winston-Salem and also serves as a Chaplain at Wake Forest Baptist Hospital.

Winston-Salem resident earns top academic award at ECSU

The Department of Military Science at Elizabeth City State University announces four cadets who earned top grades among the freshmen, sophomores, juniors and seniors in the Viking Battalion.

Shanika Burrus from Oxford, N.C., majoring in English (ROTC Cadet with Highest Cumulative GPA/Sophomore), TimMay Beale from Hampton, Va., majoring in Business Administration (ROTC Cadet with Highest Cumulative GPA/Junior), Michael Davis III from Winston-Salem, N.C., majoring in Criminal Justice (ROTC Cadet with Highest Cumulative GPA/Senior). Davis graduated from ECSU at the May 9 spring commencement and was commissioned a 2nd Lieutenant in the U.S. Army. Also Rayshawn Walker from Charlotte, N.C., majoring in Engineering Tech (ROTC Cadet with Highest Cumulative GPA/Freshman).

Lt. Col. Edward Gawlik said the department is pleased with the academic accomplishments given their dual responsibilities as full time students and cadets.

"We are so proud of our cadets and their academic achievements. Their success (highest grade point averages) in their academic studies is emphasized from day one in the ROTC program," said Gawlik. "We remind them every day that their work experience from the Army coupled with a high GPA makes them so much more marketable in the workforce after they leave the service."

The ROTC program at ECSU prepares students to serve as officers and to have careers of service and success in the United States Army, Army Reserves and Army National Guard.



(left to right, standing) Michael Davis III, Rayshawn Walker, (sitting) Shanika Burrus and TimMay Beale

Twin City Stage announces volunteer awards recipients

SPECIAL TO THE CHRONICLE

Twin City Stage announced their 2014-15 Season Volunteer Awards at an annual volunteer party on Saturday, June 13. The party, which celebrated the end of the theatre's 80th Season, was held at Miller Park in Winston-Salem. Over one hundred volunteers gathered to enjoy food, camaraderie, a dessert contest, and a variety of trivia games, complete with prizes.

Before announcing the volunteer awards, executive director Maureen Daly thanked the volunteers for their work during the season and took a few moments to recognize Pat Dearth, a long-time TCS volunteer who passed away unexpectedly on April 19.

Dearth volunteered in multiple areas of the theatre on every show for twenty years and had previously won all but one of the theatre's awards. "He has left a hole that won't be easily filled," commented Daly, "but we know his spirit will be with us in the theatre for every show we do going forward."

The following volunteers were this season's award recipients:

Yvonne Truhon received the Doris Pardington Award, which recognizes a volunteer each year who has contributed a lifetime of service to Twin City Stage. This award is in memory of Doris Pardington, who was a charter member of the theatre (originally The Little Theatre of Winston-Salem) and served as its executive director for almost two decades. Truhon has volunteered at Twin City Stage for close to twenty years in almost every capacity, including props, follow-spot, costumes, set construction, and marketing committee member.

The Box Office Volunteers received the Charles Babcock, Jr. Award. This award was initiated to honor volunteers who excel in non-technical areas of theatre, and is given in the memory of Charles Babcock, Jr., who was an ardent supporter of Twin City Stage. Many of the box office volunteers have volunteered at TCS for twenty or more years and have volunteered in multiple areas at one time or another. The box office volunteers include Mary Alspaugh, Pat Dearth, Edna Green, Jim Knight, Sally Mercer, Pat Timm, Gregg Vogelsmeier, and Georgia West.

Patrick Burke received the Jackie Oerter Award, which was established to recognize a youth volunteer who, through their service, has developed responsibility, leadership and skill in the theatre. This award is in memory of Jackie Oerter, a longtime volunteer who had a special passion and interest in young artists. Burke has worked on multiple main stage and youth productions as an actor, light board operator, and member of the running crew.

John Shea received the Paul Newman Award, a memorial to Paul Newman, an early member who excelled in technical areas of theatre. This award is given each year to a volunteer who has gone above and beyond the call of duty in technical areas. Shea has worked tirelessly in the scene shop and also worked as a stage manager, sound designer, light board operator, and member of the running crew.

Twin City Stage congratulates and thanks these wonderful volunteers for their exceptional service to Winston-Salem's oldest performing arts organization.