

Community Briefs

Winston-Salem residents required to register alarms

Winston-Salem residents who have burglar or fire alarms in their residences or businesses are required by city ordinance to register the alarms with the False Alarm Reduction Unit within 10 days of acquiring the alarm.

The city has had an alarm registration ordinance since April 1, 2003. (CO 22-1 & 38.1) The civil penalty for not registering the alarm is \$100.

The penalty for police or fire response to a false alarm varies based on the number of violations. If a key holder does not respond to a fire alarm within 30 minutes, a \$100 penalty will be assessed.

Alarms may be registered online at www.wspd.org. The form may be downloaded, printed and mailed to 725 N. Cherry St., Winston-Salem, NC 27101, faxed to 336-773-7884 or leave at message at 336-773-7886 and a form will be mailed.

For more information, call the False Alarm Reduction Unit at 336-773-7886.

Community awards given at annual Chamber Meeting

The Winston-Salem Chamber of Commerce held its 130th Annual Meeting on Oct. 7 at the Benton Convention Center. Two community awards were given during the event.

The Duke Energy Citizenship and Service Award was given to Ben and Marty Tennille with H.O.P.E., Help Our People Eat. The work that Ben and Marty do serves to unite the community by working towards eliminating "food deserts", which are areas in our community that lack fresh fruits and vegetables because of limited availability, transportation or funds. The mission of H.O.P.E is also to eliminate childhood hunger. These volunteers are combating obesity by changing the food habits that in the long run will decrease medical costs while increasing learning.

The Truliant Small Business Award was presented by Truliant Federal Credit Union. The recipient of this award was Vela Strategic Marketing & Communications. Vela Strategic Marketing & Communications is a marketing and public relations firm that has provided strategic guidance, advertising campaigns, digital and social media assets and campaigns, professional copywriting and creative design in the Winston-Salem area for over 6 years. Additional finalists for the Truliant Small Business Award were: Alliance Insurance Services, DAVENPORT, Elephant in the Room, McCalls and PhoneTree.

Downtown Bike Patrol soliciting for the homeless

The Downtown Bicycle Patrol is soliciting donations of gently used or new blankets, gloves and knit caps to help the homeless this winter.

"During last year's inaugural blanket drive, almost 1,500 blankets were donated and distributed," said Cpl. Joshua Henry. "Last year's drive was so successful that this year we are requesting knit caps and gloves, too."

Donation boxes will be placed in the lobby of the Public Safety Center, 725 N. Cherry St.; in City Hall outside the Human Relations Department, Suite 109, 101 N. Main St.; and outside the Bicycle Patrol Office at 414 N. Cherry St. across from the Marriott hotel.

The Bike Patrol initiated the blanket drive last year to assist homeless people who, for various reasons, cannot stay at a shelter.

"On cold nights they come by our office and ask for blankets," Henry said. "Thanks to the generosity of our citizens, we were able to help them last year. We hope to be able to do so again this year."

QEA and Bethlehem Community Center Inc. joins food program

The Quality Education Academy and the Bethlehem Community Center, Inc., announced their participation in the U.S. Department of Agriculture funded Child and Adult Care Food Program. Meals will be available at no separate charge to enrolled participants. Children who are TANF recipients or who are members of SNAP or FDPIR households or are Head Start participants are automatically eligible to receive free meal benefits. Adult participants who are members of food stamp or FDPIR households or who are SSI or Medicaid participants are automatically eligible to receive free meal benefits.

For more information, call Mark Flowers at 336-744-0804 or email mflowers@queschools.org.

Group seeks Humane Citizen Award nominations

The Humane Citizen Award was first given in 2012 at Gala at Graylyn. Forsyth Humane Society's Humane Citizen Award is named after Christine and Michael Morykwas for their continued kindness, compassion and shared passion to enrich contributing to building a more humane society in our community. Each year, the Humane Citizen Award recognizes an individual or group in Forsyth County who demonstrates: Kindness, Compassion, Dedication to enriching and improving the lives of humans and/or animals in our community and a commitment to building a more humane society.

The Award recognizes individuals in our community who are dedicated to improving and enriching the lives of the members of our community. Previous recipients include Adam Bowditch and Senior Services' Meals-On-Wheels Program.

For details please visit www.forsythhumane.org/nomination. Questions may be directed to Darla Kirkeeng at 336-546-1411 or hca@forsythhumane.org.

Winston-Salem Writers honor N.C. Poet Laureate Shelby Stephenson

Winston-Salem Writers recently selected a poem by NC Poet Laureate

Shelby Stephenson for their Poetry in Plain Sight program. Stephenson received a copy of the poster with his poem that is among the three poems selected for the month of October. Posters are placed in windows of downtown businesses and in buses to bring poetry to a wider audience and to support North Carolina poets.

Stephenson creates poetry and music from the sights and sounds of his rural background. He grew up on a farm near Benson in the Coastal Plain of North Carolina.

Community Calendar

Book Sale

The Kernersville Senior Enrichment Center will have its 16th annual book sale today (Oct. 15) from 1 to 7 p.m.; tomorrow (Oct. 16) from 8 a.m. to 5 p.m.; and Saturday, Oct. 17 from 8 a.m. to noon, at the Senior Center, in the lower level of the Paddison Memorial Library at 130 E. Mountain St. All genres of books are available. For more information or to volunteer, call 336-992-0591.

'Matheson's Children' play premiere

Tickets are on sale at the WSSU's box office for "Matheson's Children," which will debut on Saturday, Nov. 21 at 3 p.m. and 8 p.m. at Winston-Salem State University's Dillard Auditorium in the Anderson Center on campus. This emotional tale blends drama and humor to tell the story of five slaves co-existing while living in a plantation house and their quest for freedom. For more information or to purchase tickets, call 336-750-3220 or go to www.wssu.edu/tickets.

Medicare enrollment

The Medicare Annual Enrollment period will take place today (Oct. 15) through Dec. 17 at the Shepherd's Center, located at 1700 Ebert St. Enrollment session will be conducted Fridays on Oct. 16, 23, 30; Nov. 6, 13, 20; and Dec. 4. The sessions will assist Medicare beneficiaries to review their plans and make changes if necessary. One hour appointments will be offered from 1 to 5 p.m. Appointments must be made by calling 336-748-0217.

Disability employment month

The Winston-Salem Mayor's Council for Persons with Disabilities will celebrate National Disability Employment Month on Friday, Oct. 16, from 11:30 a.m. to 1:30 p.m. with an awards luncheon at Goodwill Industries on 2701 University Parkway. There will be a mayoral proclamation, training and hiring people with disabilities. For more information and to RSVP, call 336-245-5678.

Converge South Tech conference

Converge South will have its day-long conference on Friday, Oct. 16 at Wake Forest University's Benson Center. Converge South is the recipient of a \$6,000 grant from the Winston-Salem Millennium Fund. Keynote speaker will be Jennifer James, creator of nice Web communities and a blogger. For more information, email info@convergesouth.com, or call 336-509-0743.

Community appearance deadline

The Community Appearance Commission is seeking nominations for the 2016 Community Appearance Awards. Nominations should be made for places, projects, or individuals in Winston-Salem and Forsyth County that contribute positively to our community's appearance and may include residential/neighborhood projects; retail, office and industrial projects; new construction, rehabilitation and restoration projects; and landscaping, environmental preservation and conservation projects. Nominations must be received by Friday, Oct. 16. More information and a nomination form is available at the Community Appearance Commission website at CityofWS.org/CAC.

SECCA Museum teaching

The Southeastern Center for Contemporary Art Curator of Education Deborah Randolph, staff, museum educators and Jen Oleniczak of the Engaging Educator will have an experimental gallery experience on Friday, Oct. 16 at 11 a.m. at 750 Marguerite Dr. Participants will work in small groups, receiving prompts to interact with their assigned art object, and creating short presentations that will be shared with the larger group. For more information call 347-815-3767 or email info@theengagingeducator.com.

Costume shop

Twin City Stage will hold a costume shop on Saturday, Oct. 17 from 9 a.m. to 3 p.m. at the Arts Council Theatre, located at 610 NW Coliseum Drive. For more information, contact Kristina Ebbink at 336-748-0857, extension 209.

Opening concert

Piedmont Chamber Singers led by Jayson Snipes will open its 38th Season concert on Saturday, Oct. 17, at 7:30 p.m. at Home Moravian Church on 529 S. Church St. in Old Salem. The opening concert is entitled "Life", exploring what it means to live. Tickets are \$25 general admission, \$20 for seniors (ages 65 and older) and \$5 for students. Children are free with an accompanying adult. For more information or to purchase tickets, call 336-722-4022 or email

manager@piedmontchambersingers.org. Tickets can be purchased online at <http://www.piedmontchambersingers.org/index.php/tickets/>.

Family Fun Saturdays

There will be a Family Fun Saturday at the New Winston Museum on Saturday, Oct. 17 from 10 a.m. to 2 p.m. on 713 S. Marshall St. Activities will be related to the current exhibition "Planes, Trains and Automobiles: Winston-Salem's Wheels and Change". Admission is free. For more information, call 336-724-2842 or visit www.newwinston.org.

Old Salem Harvest day

There will be a Harvest Day on Saturday, Oct. 17, from 9:30 a.m. to 4:30 p.m. at the Old Salem Museum and Gardens, located at 600 S. Main St. There will be activities involving fall foods from the harvest. Tickets are \$23 for adults and \$11 for children ages 6-16. In addition, there will be a Harvest Day Craft Beer Tasting at 1 p.m. and 3 p.m. in the Single Brothers' Workshop. Tastings at \$20 per person, and persons must be 21 years of age and older. Spacing is limited so call 1-800-441-5305 to register. For additional information about Harvest Day, visit oldsalem.org for more details.

Community day/job fair

The Southeast Neighborhood Association (SENA), in partnership with S.G. Atkins Community Development Corporation will host its third annual community day and job fair on Saturday, Oct. 17 from noon to 3 p.m. on Monmouth St. This event is to bring businesses, agencies and residents together, while sharing resources with those looking for employment, home weatherization and repairs. For more information, contact Carol Davis or Juan Aquilar at 336-734-6900, or email sgatkinscd4@gmail.com.

Community volunteers needed

Volunteers are needed for the free adult dental clinic on Friday, Oct. 16 and Saturday, Oct. 17 at the Winston-Salem Fairgrounds, located at 414 Deacon Blvd. Greeters, interpreters, runners, patient escorts and more are needed. For more information and to register, go to www.ncmomwinston.org, call 336-713-2828, or email NCMOM@wake-health.edu.

Monster dash and goblin hop

Angels Without Wings (AWOW) Enterprises, the Village of Clemmons and other organizations will have its first ever "Monster Dash and Goblin Hop" on Sunday, Oct. 18, from 2 p.m. to 5 p.m. at Village Point Greenway, located at 6610 Village Point Dr. in Clemmons. Kids can dress in Halloween costumes to walk the greenway. For more information, contact Pam Rea at 201-423-4129 or 336-283-1851.

CROP Hunger Walk registration

Teams and individuals can now register to participate in the 2015 CROP Hunger Walk to fight hunger. The walk will be on Sunday, Oct. 18 at 2:30 p.m. at the Corpening Plaza, located at 231 W. First St. Registration begins at 1:30 p.m. Teams can register online or contact Lucy Shaffer-Doherty at 336-724-7875, ext. 1040. For more information, register, volunteer or donate, go to www.cropwalkforsyth.org.

Financial pitfalls program

There will be a financial pitfalls facing college students program on Monday, Oct. 19 at 6:30 p.m. at the

Southside Branch Library, located at 3185 Buchanan St. The program is for parents and students raise financial and money management issues to any college student. Program is open to everyone. For more information, call 336-703-2980.

Volunteers needed

Hospice of Davidson County is in need of volunteers. The training and orientation session will be beginning Monday, Oct. 19 through Thursday, Oct. 22 from 6 to 9 p.m. at the Administrative Building on the campus of Hospice of Davidson County, located at 200 Hospice Way in Lexington. Applications are available at HospiceofDavidson.org. For additional information, contact Sumiko Harmon at 336-475-5444.

Jonathan Reckford speaks at WFU

Jonathan Reckford, CEO of Habitat for Humanity International (HFHI), an ecumenical Christian housing ministry that has helped more than 5 million people construct, rehabilitate or preserve homes in more than 70 countries, will speak on Tuesday, Oct. 20 at 6 p.m. in Brendle Recital Hall, Scales Fine Arts Center on Wake Forest University's campus. The event is free and open to the public. The speech will also be live-streamed. Reckford will visit Habitat for Humanity of Forsyth County, where he will tour the ReStore and lead a dedication service for Habitat Forsyth's new facilities at 14th Street and University Pkwy. There will also be a groundbreaking ceremony for the new Jimmy Johnson Volunteer Lodge. The dedication service will be held from 10 a.m. to 10:30 a.m. and will include Mayor Allen Joiner. For more information, contact Rachel Barron at 336-703-0770.

Grief loss


the Mary E. Ritting Conference Center on the campus of Davidson County Community College, located at 297 Davidson Community College Rd. The topic will be "The Art of Compassion: Healing Your Grieving Heart, Exploring Practical Touchstones for Caring for Yourself", presented by noted author and speaker Dr. Alan D. Wolfelt, Ph.D. For more information, visit HospiceOfDavidson.org.

Union Time

Matt and Cornelia Barr are having a kickoff of a fundraising campaign for the documentary, "Union Time: Fighting for Workers' Rights", on Tuesday, Oct. 20 from 6 p.m. to 7:30 p.m. at Beta Verde, located at 3733 Milhaven Rd. Union Time tells the story of the successful campaign to organize Smithfield Foods' giant pork processing plant in Tar Heel, North Carolina. Seating is limited. To RSVP and for more information, call 336-409-2772 or email cbdub@me.com.

Business training

The city's Community and Business Development Department is offering a free eight-week business training course for anyone interested in starting a small business or who recently started one. The training is designed to help participants evaluate the feasibility of a business concept and develop the skills required to become the owners/operators of successful small businesses. Classes will begin from Oct. 20 through Dec. 15, from 6 p.m. to 8 p.m. on Tuesday evenings at the Carl H. Russell Sr. Recreation Center, located at 3521 Carver School Rd. To register, or for more information, contact Steven Harrison at 336-747-7474 or call CityLink 311.




As we are reminded that October is **National Breast Cancer Awareness Month.**

There are many risk factors linked to breast cancer. The two most common, being a woman and getting older. But some things, like exercising, maintaining a healthy weight and limiting your alcohol consumption, are within your power.

11% of women diagnosed with Breast Cancer are younger than 45 years old.

Your local health dept has screening programs for qualifying women. For more information, call 336.703.3196

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