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Members of the Chapter's Command Council of Chapter #0057 of the National Association for Black Veterans (L-R) are: Corinthians Fields (Commander), Air Force; Chrisma Brock (Vice Commander), Army; Patrica Mack (Member), Civilian; Allen Bailey (Financial Secretary), Marine Corps; and Hobart Jones (Treasurer), Army.

## Veterans help veterans during Christmas holiday

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Each day can be a struggle for many veterans returning home after serving in the armed forces. However, veterans helping struggling veterans in their time of need is a practice that is not uncommon for members of Chapter #0057 of the National Association for Black Veterans (NABVETS), in Winston Salem.

For the past several years, NABVETS members have collected and donated food, in the form of Christmas baskets, for homeless and other needy veterans residing in the

Winston Salem area.

This year, Chapter #0057's members were able to collect and donate Christmas baskets to several veterans.

The recipients expressed gratitude and appreciation for the support rendered by the NABVETS organization.

"Thank you for your support for our Veterans," NABVETS said in a statement. "Join us for the Veteran's Honors Program that is to be held on Feb. 18, 2016. For information regarding the program, please call 336-602-1812."

## Management company president flies transplant patient to Winston-Salem

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Paul Mengert, president of Association Management Group AMG, in Greensboro, one of the Carolinas' largest professional homeowner association managers, recently returned from an Angel Flight Soars trip transporting Helen Lindsey, a Winston-Salem native, to a medical appointment.

Lindsey, a quadruple amputee, is on a wait list for a bilateral hand transplant and had a doctor's visit; her transplant is slated for some time in 2017 or 2018.

Mengert is a volunteer pilot with Angel Flight Soars, a nonprofit organization based in Atlanta that recruits pilots to fly medical missions throughout the South.

"It was absolutely incredible," said Lindsey. "It's an honorable thing to volunteer your time to transport people like me to appointments. Frequent appointments are important and it's wonderful to know Angel Flight Soars is here to help. It was so awesome that I'm now going for my pilot's license. I can't wait

to join them and be a part of Angel Flight Soars."

Supporting Mengert and Lindsey in the flight were Landmark Aviation and Epps Aviation, which waived fees and discounted fuel.

Since 1983, Angel Flight Soars has connected more than 32,000 families to life-saving medical care: from burn victims needing skin grafts to cancer patients traveling to special treatment centers to hopeful recipients like Lindsey awaiting transplants. AFS flies more than 2,500 missions a year with 1,000 pilot volunteers.

"Paul joined us in 2009 and is an amazing volunteer. We're so happy he spends his off time helping other people," said Bernadette Darnell, AFS director of Mission Operations. "Thanks to dedicated and passionate volunteers like Paul, we are able to assist many people and be a silver lining to families who need assistance with medical care."

Along with delivering patients to the care they need via AFS, Mengert has also made multiple trips to deliver beds, toys and clothes to an orphanage in

Haiti.

"Angel Flight Soars is one of the ways AMG gives back to the community," Mengert noted. "Over the last five years, I have flown various patients to and from medical treatments. We make travel doable by turning five to 10 hours of driving into just an hour's flight. Every time I help others, I meet people who inspire me. This was no exception! I'm so grateful I was able to assist Helen. She has faced adversity that most of us couldn't begin to handle, yet without hands or feet, she climbed in the airplane and took pictures, recorded video and sent text messages. Her enthusiasm for life is contagious - her next goal is to become a pilot. With her tenacity, I have no doubt that it is possible."

To learn more about Lindsey's goal to become a pilot, visit <https://www.gofundme.com/amputeeipilot>. For more about Angel Flight Soars, to volunteer as a pilot, request a flight or make a donation, visit [www.angelflightsoars.org](http://www.angelflightsoars.org) or call -877-4anAngel.



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Paul Mengert, Association Management Group president and an Angel Flight Soars volunteer pilot, recently flew quadruple amputee Helen Lindsey from Atlanta to a medical appointment in Winston-Salem. Lindsey is on the wait list for a hand transplant, targeted for 2017 or 2018.

## Educators sorority announces student talent show

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The National Sorority of Phi Delta Kappa, Inc., Beta Lambda Chapter will sponsor its fifth annual "Broadway Best-Musical/Soulful Sounds" at Parkland High School at 6 p.m. on Saturday, Jan. 9.

The National Sorority of Phi Delta Kappa is an organization of female educators remaining true to the profession and goals of promoting sisterhood and the highest ideals of the teaching profession.

Past President and Event Founder Ann Moye and Cynthia Russell will serve as the mistresses of

ceremony during the evening. The showcase of talent will feature students and teachers from various elementary, middle and high schools in the Winston-Salem Forsyth County School System.

Flonnie Anderson, a retired school teacher (34 years), will be honored for her work with theater arts. The Winston-Salem Forsyth County School System has recently honored Anderson by naming Parkland High School Auditorium for her service to education and the community. Featured acts will include Positive Image Performing Arts, Darryl

Gordon, and The Anthros' who are the husbands and male friends of sorority sisters.

College students, Tanajah Morgan-Bush and Michaela Edwards will receive scholarship awards to continue their education at their respective schools.

The sorority is currently accepting scholarship applications for high school seniors due by Jan. 27. Interested applicants may contact any member of the organization for an application.

Monetary awards will be presented to first, second, and third place winners.

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