

Hundreds gather at the Carolina Field of Honor in Kernersville to honor those who made the ultimate sacrifice protecting our country on Monday, May 30. The Carolina Field of Honor is the largest memorial honoring veterans on the east coast outside of Washington, D.C.



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Hundreds honor veterans at Carolina Field of Honor

BY TEVIN STINSON THE CHRONICLE

Overcast skies and the threat of rain didn't stop hundreds from coming together Monday morning, May 30, to honor the men and women who made the ultimate sacrifice protecting our country.

During the Memorial Day service held at the Carolina Field of Honor in Kernersville, people of all ages and ethnic backgrounds stood side by side, as one of North Carolina's newest cabinet members, Major General Cornell Wilson, led the festivities that included color guards, special music, a wreath laying, and other patriotic

Prior to his appointment as Secretary of the N.C. Department of Military and Veterans Affairs last October, Gen. Wilson served as military advisor for the governor. He also chairs the governor's working group on veterans, service members, and their families to ensure their needs are met through coordination with the Veterans Administration, state agencies and various other veterans'

As he stood in front of the second largest memorial honoring veterans on the east coast, Gen. Wilson thanked our nation's heroes and their families for their courage and

"This Carolina Field of Honor is a fitting place to pay tribute to all the members of the United States Armed Forces who died in service for our country," said Wilson. "A nation reveals itself not only by the men and women it produces, but also by the men and women it honors and remembers."

Following the ceremony, dozens stood around admiring the memorial where over 150,000 veterans and their families find solace. Army veteran and Winston-Salem native Jimmy Boyd said while serving his country, he learned that freedom is something that shouldn't be taken

When you visit some of these third world countries, you learn to respect the grounds we are standing on," he continued. "That's why it is important that we recognize these fallen veterans for the sacrifices they made to make this country safe and free."

As people walked by and thanked him for his service, Korean War veteran from High Point Jerry Lakin said it was gratifying to see so many people come out and celebrate the nation's fallen warriors. Lakin, a former Marine, noted although many of those he fought beside have passed away, he appreciates other veterans and their families' paying attention and coming together to give thanks.

"Some veterans lead very lonely lives," he said. "These types of events are very special to me because it lets me and other veterans know that what we did was not

"Most of all, I appreciate the people who are here. It really means a lot.'



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TRANSPORTATION PLANNERS SOLICITING PUBLIC COMMENTS ON PROPOSED TRANSPORTATION PRIORITIES

Local transportation planners would like citizens to comment on proposed priority lists for transportation improvements in the Winston-Salem area. Local ranking of priorities is part of a new process the state is using for funding transportation projects.

Separate proposed rankings have been created for regional highway projects and regional public transportation projects.

Citizens can review the proposed rankings and make comments at a drop in session: Monday, June 20, 11 a.m. to 7 p.m. **Bryce Stuart Municipal Building,** 2nd Floor Conference Room, 100 E. First St.

Citizens unable to attend the drop-in session can review the rankings online, along with information about how the rankings were developed, from June 1 through June 30 at DOT. CityofWS.org.

Only written comments will be accepted. Mail, e-mail or fax comments to Fredrick Haith, Planning Development Coordinator City of Winston-Salem DOT, P.O. Box 2511, Winston-Salem, NC 27102 E-mail; fredrickh@cityofws.org, Fax: 336-748-3370

Public notice of public participation activities and time established for public review of and comments on the TIP will satisfy the program of projects (POP) requirements.

Any person who believes they have been aggrieved by an unlawful discriminatory practice regarding the Winston-Salem Urban Area MPO programs has a right to file a formal complaint with Frederick Haith, City of Winston-Salem, P.O. Box 2511, Winston-Salem, NC 27102, within 180 days following the date of the alleged discrimination occurrence.





On Monday, May 30, old and new members of the Slater Community came together to celebrate the history of the community that was established for African-Americans in 1954. Today many of the original homeowners in the area still reside in the East Winston neighborhood.

Celebrating past, present and future

Slater Park community rallies to celebrate history and look toward the future

BY TEVIN STINSON THE CHRONICLE

On Monday, residents of the Slater Park Community came together to celebrate the past, pres-ent, and future of the neighborhood that has stood strong for more than

60 years. While enjoying food fresh off the grill, residents who currently live in the neighborhood and others who have since moved away discussed the history of the neighborhood, what has changed over the years, and what needs to be done to ensure it continues to

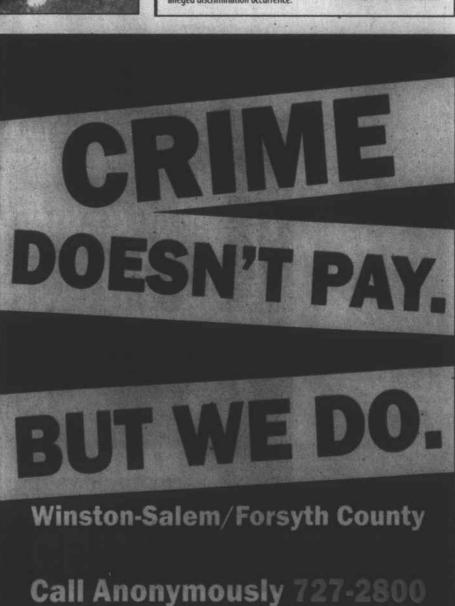
Coordinator for the event Rayvon Mitchell said the Slater Park Community has a rich tradition of working together to improve the quality of life for those who reside in the East Winston neighbor-

"This community has always been about lending a helping hand to your neighbor and working together," he said. "That's what this event is about here today, honoring our past and looking towards the future."

Established in 1954, a number of well-known people throughout the city once called Slater Park home, including Judge Denise Hartsfield, Mayor Pro Temper Vivian Burke, and president of the local NAACP branch Isaac "Ike" Howard.

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