

Community Briefs

Hospice of Davidson County seeking volunteers

LEXINGTON - Hospice of Davidson County is looking for volunteers to join its team. The agency's more than 100 volunteers serve in a variety of roles ranging from providing companionship for patients and families to completing administrative tasks. Currently, Hospice of Davidson County is seeking patient-family and switchboard volunteers for service in its administrative offices, home care and The Henry Etta and Bruce Hinkle Hospice House. Patient-family volunteers receive specialized training, enabling them to provide companionship and caregiver support to those experiencing a life-limiting illness. The agency encourages patient-family volunteers to consider a commitment of one to three hours per week. An orientation and training session for those interested in volunteering with the agency will be held August 2-4 from 1-5:00 p.m. at the administrative building located at 200 Hospice Way in Lexington. Registration is required. The agency is now offering the majority of training online. Once the interview process is complete, applicants will be given a handbook and access to an online portal allowing the volunteer to complete the training over a 30-day period. Once the online component is completed, the applicant will be invited to an abbreviated face-to-face session to complete training. For more information or to register, visit HospiceOfDavidson.org or contact Sumiko Harmon, manager of volunteer services, at 336-475-5444.

Truliant launches Financial Education Fund to celebrate milestone

Truliant Federal Credit Union is pleased to announce that in celebration of reaching the 200,000 member-owner milestone, it is launching the Truliant Financial Education Fund to provide school systems in its communities with \$200,000 for financial literacy education.

The credit union also reached another milestone in 2016. In just over a decade, Truliant has grown from about \$1 billion in assets to surpassing \$2 billion in assets.

Truliant's continual membership growth, up nearly five percent in 2015, is a product of its expansion and the demand for better banking options in its member-owner communities. Truliant is the third largest credit union and the 14th largest financial institution in North Carolina.

The Truliant Financial Education Fund will offer financial education grants to school systems where the credit union has Member Financial Centers. Teachers from eligible districts will be able to submit funding requests for projects that advance financial literacy. The credit union will distribute funds to winning projects through 2020. The credit union will open the application period for the first grant cycle on August 1. Further celebrating the achievement, the credit union is offering special giveaway items at its Member Financial Centers through July 22 for Truliant Member Appreciation Days. For more information on Truliant Federal Credit Union, visit www.truliant.org.

Mepham named assistant director of Humanities Institute at WFU

Aimee Mepham has been promoted to assistant director of Wake Forest's Humanities Institute. Mepham, who first joined the Wake Forest staff in 2008, was previously the institute's program coordinator. As assistant director, Mepham's responsibilities will include overseeing the Humanities Institute's Story, Health and Healing Initiative, which is one of several recipients of the Engaged Humanities grant that the Andrew W. Mellon Foundation awarded Wake Forest in 2015.

Creative excellence earns Wake Forest 8 Gold Awards from CASE

Wake Forest continues to raise the bar of creative excellence for best practices in advancement, winning eight Gold Awards in the annual 2016 Circle of Excellence awards program sponsored by The Council for Advancement and Support of Education (CASE). Wake Forest Magazine received the Gold Award in the General Interests Magazine category; circulation 37,000+. The magazine also won the Gold Award in the category Staff Periodicals Writing. The entry included "The Hidden Gym," "Family Trees" and "Inside Pitch" by managing editor Cherin C. Poovey; "Look at Her Now" by Maria Henson, associate vice president and editor-at-large; and "Real-Life Drama" by senior editor Kerry M. King. The Communications and External Relations team received a total of six Gold Awards for a range of creative work in varying categories.

Jones reappointed WFU Graduate School dean

Brad Jones has been appointed to a second term as Dean of the Graduate Programs in the Arts & Sciences at Wake Forest. Jones, a professor of chemistry at the University since 1989, is also an alumnus, completing his BS degree in chemistry in 1984.

Womble Carlyle Sandridge and Rice, LLP to sponsor Healthy Heart Challenge

In partnership with the American Heart Association's Winston-Salem Heart Ball, Womble Carlyle Sandridge and Rice, LLP is proud to announce the first-ever Healthy Heart Challenge in Forsyth County.

As part of the Healthy Heart Challenge, Womble Carlyle and the American Heart Association will be accepting nominations for men and women who have made lifestyle changes in exercise and eating habits to prevent heart disease and stroke. Heart disease is the No. 1 killer of both men and women in the United States.

Stroke is the 5th leading cause of death in the nation and the leading cause of permanent disability. To nominate someone, email laura.may@heart.org or call 336-542-4836. Three finalists will be announced at the Healthy Heart Challenge celebration in January 2017. Public voting will decide the 2017 Healthy Heart Challenge Winner, which will be announced at the Winston-Salem Heart Ball on Friday, April 28, 2017. The winner will receive great prizes and become the "Face of Heart Health" in Forsyth County for 2017.

Community Calendar

Fridays through July 29 - Fairground Fridays for Teens

Fairground Fridays has returned with dance contests, prizes, giveaways and free arcade games from 7 to 10 p.m. at the Winston-Salem Fairgrounds. Fairground Fridays is hosted by Busta Brown and features music by Mr. Bill's Productions. Fairground Fridays will be held every Friday through July 29. Admission is free. Concessions will be available. Free parking is available in the lot for the Fairgrounds Annex.

Fridays through Aug. 26 - Downtown Jazz Concerts

The 19th season of Downtown Jazz presented by the Winston-Salem Federal Credit Union continues in Corpening Plaza at 237 W. First Street. Downtown Jazz is a production of the Downtown Winston-Salem Partnership in collaboration with Carl Denerson of Post Entertainment. The remaining performances schedule is: July 22, Urban Jazz Coalition & Will Donoto with opening performer Will Donato; August 12, Dee Lucas with opening performer Vince Crenshaw; August 26, Joey Sommerville, opening performer, Galvin Crisp.

Today, July 21 - Reading Party

ReadWS will hold a reading party today, July 21, at Forest Park Elementary School, 2019 Milford St., from 6:30 - 8:30 p.m., for parents of children 4 - 8 years old. Parents, bring your children! Register at shonette@readingws.org or call 336-972-2518.

Today, July 21 - 14th Street School reunion meeting

The 14th Street Elementary School alumni are meeting every Thursday at the 14th Street Recreation Center at 6 p.m. to plan our historical reunion to be held August 13th. We need all students who attended 14th Street School to come to the meeting and sign up to volunteer. For more information, contact Marva Reid at 336-997-2519.

Today, July 21 - Community conversation on gun violence and safety

Congresswoman Alma S. Adams, 12th Congressional District, invites the community to be heard at #safer12th, a community conversation on gun violence, gun safety, reform and community policy today, July 21, 7 p.m., at the Winston Lake YMCA, 901 Waterworks Road.

July 22 - Live Performance of "Letters to the New Year: Six Months Later"

At New Winston Museum, 713 S. Marshall St., during the month of July, "Letters to the New Year: Six Months Later" is a physical exhibition and programming series based on a collaborative, artistic translation experience conducted by some talented local artists. The second performance of a one-of-a-kind event, "Letters to the New Year," is the improvisational product of collaboration between Winston-based artists Blakeney Bullock, Michael Durando, Tim Nolan, and Jacob Paul. This will be held on Friday, July 22, from 7 - 9:30 p.m. Volunteer letter writers are wanted - contact Blakeney at heyblakeney@gmail.com to participate.

July 22 - 24 - Atkins Class of 1961 Reunion

The Atkins Class of 1961 will be hosting its 55th Reunion on July 22 - 24 at the Hawthorne Inn. Our Theme is "Reflect, Rejoice, Renew." Class reunion weekend activity includes: Friday night: Reception/Meet & Greet from 6 p.m. until 11 p.m.; Saturday night: Banquet and dancing 6 p.m. until midnight; Sunday: Church service at Goler Memorial A.M.E. Zion Church. Following church service we will have early dinner at the Hawthorne Inn. For more information, contact Marian Wilson-McGinney at mesylvestre43@gmail.com or 510-813-9503.

July 22 - 31 - Presentation of "Cheatin'"

Theatre Alliance, 1047 Northwest Blvd., will present the comedy "Cheatin'", beginning July 22. Performance dates are: Friday, July 22, Saturday, July 23, Thursday, July 28, Friday, July 29, and Saturday, July 30, at 8 p.m.; and Sunday, July 31, at 2 p.m. Please note that this performance contains adult situations and strong language. Tickets to Cheatin' are priced at \$18 for adults and \$16 for students/seniors. There is also a \$2 per ticket discount available for groups of 10 or more. Tickets to Cheatin' may be purchased in person at the Theatre Alliance Box Office (Fridays from 12:30-3 p.m.), online at www.wstheatrealliance.org or by calling Brown Paper Tickets at (800) 838-3006. Please call Theatre Alliance at (336) 723-7777 with any questions about this or future shows.

July 23 - Lunch counter integration celebration

Join the International Civil Rights Center & Museum on Saturday, July 23, from noon - 4 p.m., as we celebrate 56 years of the F.W. Woolworth lunch counter integration. There will be food trucks, tours, and actual sit-in participants recounting their experiences fighting for equality. The Museum is located at 134 S. Elm Street, Greensboro.

July 23 - Red, White & Brew Storybook Shindig

Climbed a beanstalk lately? Played with a giant Lite Brite or cranked out doughnuts in the Krispy Kreme doughnut factory? Now's your chance when the Children's Museum of Winston-Salem hosts an adults-only "takeover" event on Saturday, July 23 from 6 to 9 p.m. Get in touch with your inner child and play throughout the museum while enjoying cold beer and listening to the "Blue Eyed Bettys," a bluegrass/folk band out of New York City. This is the third event in the Museum's "Storybook Shindig" series for ages 21 and up. Admission is \$15 and includes three drink tickets, fun crafts, and more! Food will be available for purchase from a local food truck. For more information, contact Lexi Trempe at ltrempe@childrensmuseumofws.org or call 336-723-9111.

July 23 - Korner's Folly Family Fun Day

Historic Körner's Folly, 413 South Main St., Kernersville, is hosting its inaugural Körner's Folly Family Fun Day on Saturday, July 23, from 10 a.m. to 4 p.m. Families will have the opportunity to play historic games, and learn about Victorian traditions, while participating in hands-on activities and crafts. In addition to the games and crafts, we are excited to debut a brand new puppet show, Aesop's Fabulous Fables at 10:30 a.m. and 1:30 p.m. Self-guided tours and scavenger hunts will also round out the day's activities. Actors and actresses from Kernersville Little Theater will be stationed through the house and grounds dressed in period costumes during tours. This interactive learning experience is the perfect way to learn about this interesting period in American history. Körner's Folly, historic house museum, is open for self-guided tours Wednesday-Saturday 10 a.m. - 4 p.m. and Sunday 1 - 4 p.m. For tickets, reservations, and event information, please call 336-996-7922 or visit www.kornersfolly.org.

July 23 - Lion King Jr.

Elliott D. Lowery, the Executive and Artistic director of the Winston-Salem Performing Arts Alliance, a non-profit 501 (c) (3) organization, and Stacey Pelsinger, the Theatre Arts teacher at Parkland High School, have teamed up to produce a production of Lion King Jr. on Saturday, July 23, at 3 and 7 p.m. at the Flonnie T. Anderson Theatre Arts Auditorium located at Parkland High School. This production is a condensed version of the original show that's designed to be performed with kids ages six to eighteen in schools and with community theatre groups. For further information or for tickets, please call (336) 486-1288.

July 24 - Annual African-American Caucus

The annual African-American Caucus of the Forsyth County Democratic Party, Jacquelyne Barber Branch, will have a cookout on Sunday, July 24, at 3 p.m. at Winston Lake Park Shelter #4, 2801 New Walkertown Road. For additional information, contact Mrs. Kennedy at snkenney87@yahoo.com or Mrs. Chenita Johnson at chenitajohn@hotmail.com.

July 25 - Deadline for applications for Citizen Fire Academy

The Winston-Salem Fire Department is accepting applications for the Citizen Fire Academy to be held Mondays from 6 to 8 p.m., Aug. 1 - Sept. 26. Participants will learn about fire department operations and receive hands-on experience in fire and life safety, including an opportunity to ride along on emergency calls. Topics will include proper use of fire extinguishers, eliminating fire hazards in the home, hands-only CPR training, stovetop fire suppression technology and more. The Citizen Fire Academy is free and is open to residents 18 and older. Participants will be selected through an application process and must commit to attending all eight class meetings. Class size is limited. Applications must be received by July 25. Apply online at CityofWSFire.org. For more information call 336-773-7965 or send an e-mail to sabrinasc@city-ofwsfire.org.

July 25 - Winston-Salem and

the Mysteries of Micronesia

Award-winning writer and public speaker Ron Tanner will offer a stunning slide show and talk about life in Micronesia, the mid-Pacific islands where he used to live, on Monday, July 25, from 5:30 - 7 p.m. at New Winston Museum, 713 S. Marshall St. These islands happen to be the home of America's anti-ballistic missile test site now and where the U.S. tested its nuclear bombs in the 1950s. The islands offer not only breathtaking beauty but also a lesson in globalization and the effects of a rapidly rising ocean. Ron will explain why it's important for all of us to know about this fascinating scatter of islands and the people who inhabit them.

July 25-27 - Auditions for the Winston-Salem Youth Chorus

The Winston-Salem Youth Chorus invites children ages 8 to 18 to audition for the 2016-2017 season which begins on August 29. Auditions will be held on Monday, July 25, through Wednesday, July 27. Members of the WSYC learn vocal technique, theory, singing in other languages, discipline, confidence and teamwork while performing beautiful choral arrangements. The chorus also often collaborates with the UNCSA, The WS Symphony, Piedmont Wind Ensemble, Piedmont Chamber singers and other groups in the region. They also travel and perform in other countries and around the nation. For more information and to schedule your audition time please go to www.wsyouthchorus.org or contact our office at 336-703-0001.

July 25 - Aug. 18 - Upcoming events at Cook Literacy Model School

Kindergarten registration is now open at Cook. Please come by or call 336-703-4201. Parent Forums to meet the new staff are being held on the following dates/locations/times: July 25 from 6 - 7:30 p.m. at MLK Jr. Recreation Center, 2001 Pittsburg Ave.; and July 28 from 6 - 7 p.m. at Cook Literacy Model School, 920 11th St. NW. Back to School Cookout is Thursday, Aug. 18 from 5:30 - 7:30 p.m. First day of school is Monday, Aug. 22 at 8:15 a.m.

July 26 - Outsmart the Weeds! workshop

Forsyth Community Gardening will present the workshop, "Outsmart the Weeds!" on July 26 from 6 - 8 p.m. at Diggs-Lathan Elementary School Garden, 986 Hutton St. Weeds at bay doesn't have to be back-breaking, but it does take thoughtful planning. At this workshop, we'll review weed life cycles and share effective practices to prevent them from growing, competing with crops, and producing seed. The workshop is free, but registration is required. Please register online at: <http://tinyurl.com/FCG-SGS>, or call 336-703-2850. For accommodations for persons with disabilities or Spanish translation, please contact our office at 336-703-2850 at least two weeks before the event.

July 27 - Homeless Count volunteers needed

The Homeless Point-in-Time Count is a one day, unduplicated count of sheltered and unsheltered homeless individuals and families in Forsyth County. The count, coordinated by United Way of Forsyth County and the Winston-Salem Forsyth County Homeless Council, helps determine the extent of homelessness in our community. Volunteers are needed to help with the identification and counting of people who are sleeping outside on Wednesday, July 27, in Winston-Salem and the surrounding areas. Volunteers will be organized into groups of four or five and in two shifts, 9 p.m.-12 a.m. and 1 a.m.-4 a.m. Organizers will be assembling bags of necessities to hand out to homeless men and women and are seeking donations of baseball caps/sun visors, individual tissue packets, sun screen, bottled water, canned foods with pop-tops or pre-packaged food, and plastic utensils. Volunteers may register by visiting www.forsythunitedway.org. Donations can be delivered to United Way of Forsyth County at 301 N. Main Street.

July 28 - Lunch & Learn for Caregivers

A free Lunch & Learn for Caregivers is scheduled for Thursday, July 28, 11 a.m.-1 p.m. at Senior Services, 2895 Shorefair Dr. Lia Miller, Executive Director of Creative Aging Network - NC, will share information about "Creativity and Aging." Terri Everhart Marion, Adult Coloring Facilitator, will provide materials and lead caregivers in a coloring session. Lunch is provided by Homestead Hills Retirement Community. Registration is required. Call 721-6918. Call early to assure a