

## FEATURES

### Walnut Cove Community Prepares to Restore School

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Residents of the Walnut Cove community are involved in a major project that is not only restricted to their small town, but also involves the entire State of North Carolina.

The Walnut Cove Colored School Restoration Project, which began sometime between late 1994 and early 1995 with the purpose of preserving the community's historical colored school house, held a groundbreaking ceremony early last month.

The old school was built as a single frame schoolhouse in 1921 in the London community of Walnut Cove. A newer, much needed facility was built in 1952. The present site of the old schoolhouse is located at the corner of Brook Street (2nd Street) and Dalton Street. Walnut Cove's Mayor, William H. Greene, says that the African-American community is very fortunate to have the opportunity to restore this school since many other schools in the community no longer exist.

"This project represents a real opportunity to preserve both the heritage of the London Community by utilizing an existing sound structural resource and to provide a much needed center for community activities," said Dorothy H. Dalton, president of the Walnut Cove Colored School, Inc.

"I believe this project will be one of

the most important endeavors in Walnut Cove in a long time," said Andrew M. Lovette, the former mayor of Walnut Cove. "The Board of Town Commissioners has pledged its full cooperation in the preservation of this historically significant property which presents an important aspect of the heritage of Walnut Cove and the State."

There was strong presence of "strength and unity" from many of the school's former students. Beaufort O. Bailey, president of the Winston-Salem State University National Alumni Association, was one of those students.

Barbara Hairston, a member of the board who is responsible for the project's membership drive campaign says, "any donation of time and money would be greatly appreciated for the project's success."

Some of the corporations and organizations who are assisting in this restoration project include: Z. Smith Reynolds Foundation, Convention Foundation, North Carolina Department of Cultural Resources, RJ Reynolds, First Union National Bank, Duke Power, Urban League, Jefferson Pilot, Stokes Rental, Country Florist, Pike & Cassell, Tuttle Hardware, Rising Star Baptist, Stokes County Extension of Homemakers, Hedgecock Builders, Hampton Galleries, Hunter Point and Body Shop and Les Apres.

### Mann

children would benefit," she said.

Some activities planned for the year sponsored by the PTA are contests, programs, and many parent involved activities. The PTA is presently focusing on membership, tutoring, and school pride. The alumni of Forest Park are also helping with the school pride projects.

Mann, a native of Plymouth, is a 1982 business education WSSU alumna. After graduating, she moved to Washington, DC, where she was employed at the Library of Congress. Later, she accepted a position with the Nuclear Regulatory Commission Agency as the lead secretary.

She married Steven Mann, and has

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two children, Chasity, a third grade academically gifted student at Forest Park, and 19month old Malcolm.

Mann has been the Department of English and Foreign Languages secretary for three years. Since her return, she has become involved in her sorority, the Alpha Mu Sigma chapter of Sigma Gamma Rho Incorporated. She is the vice president of the chapter. She also serves as the advisor of the Rho chapter of Sigma Gamma Rho Inc. at WSSU.

Mann is an elected nominee by Dr. Manigault for the 1996 Governors Award. She is the Winston-Salem representative for the state employees. Mann's latest involvement is team leader for United Way on WSSU's campus.

### Library's "Christmas in Carolina" Was A Success

BY STEPHANY COUSINS  
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Good food, good conversation and laughter were all on tap at November 15's Friends of the Library, Auction-Dinner Extravaganza.

The Friends of the Library presented a spectacular fund raising event, "Christmas in Carolina." Through this event the "friends" hoped to raise funds for the O'Kelly Library's archive project.

The event, held in the Thompson Student Services Center, consisted of live music, dinner, a silent and live auction, and a book signing. Over 150 people attended the event.

"I am pleased with the turnout for this event," said Glynis Whitted-Bell, president of the organization. "I also think this event provided people with the opportunity to obtain some really unique Christmas gifts."

After dinner, the guest looked around the room at the numerous items that would be auctioned later on in the evening.

The silent auction was first. Items to be auctioned included everything from a German-Chocolate Cake to a free week of fitness training at Gold's Gym. The book,

"Heritage of Blacks in North Carolina," by Linda Simmons-Henry, was the hottest item. It sold for \$70.

However, the event that everyone awaited was the live auction. The auctioneer kept the crowd entertained with his jokes and wise cracks while he skillfully manipulated the crowd making them dig deeper into their pockets. A quilt, a gift certificate to Lucky 32, a local Winston-Salem restaurant, and tickets to a Hornets-Celtics basketball game were just a few of the auction's items. The highlight of the auction was a travel package to a professional basketball game. The package included a pair of tickets to a Chicago Bulls Basketball game in Chicago, airline travel for two, as well as a three-day stay in the Mariott Hotel for two.

Larry Womble, North Carolina State Representative and WSSU alumus, was the lucky winner.

"I had a good time helping out the library," said Womble. "I am also ecstatic about my trip to Chicago."

Dr. Mae Rodney, director of library services said, "The auction/dinner went very well. We raised money for the library and the most important thing of all is that the people enjoyed themselves."

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shouldn't be a controversy, but nobody wants to lose."

When asked whether she felt disqualifying the Kappas was harsh, considering in the rules the difference between participation and stepping was not made clear. O'Neal replied, "No I don't feel that way at all." But she did say, "I have to admit there was a lot of misunderstanding and miscommunication; however I stand by our rules and regulations."

So as a student of Winston-Salem State University you decide?

1. Did the Kappas follow the rules and regulations?
2. Should the rules and regulations have been stated more clearly?
3. What exactly does participation mean to you?
4. Should the Kappas have been disqualified?
5. Did he (McDougal) participate by doing the music?

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That which seems the height of absurdity in one generation often becomes the height of wisdom in another.

—Adlai Stevenson