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'ALWAYS WATCHING...'



Photo by Stephanie Douthit

## Upperclassmen transported to temporary 'hotel housing'

Because of the record number of incoming freshman, several sophomores, juniors and seniors have been temporarily housed in three area hotels: Wingate by Wyndham, Hawthorne Inn and Brookstown Inn. The university partnered with the Winston-Salem Transit Authority to provide regular shuttle service between the hotels and campus. The WSSU shuttle runs every 30 minutes Monday through Friday 7 a.m. to 11:40 p.m. and every two hours on the weekend.

## Parking policy overhaul includes new gated lots

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When it comes to parking procedures at Winston-Salem State, change is always constant.

Assigned parking lots, new-gated lots, gated lots last year are not this year, the cost of daily passes have increased as well as added parking meters and improved shuttle services. Parking lots have new names, and there are at least seven new employee gated lots closer to campus.

"The gated lots are for faculty and staff," said Lt. Patrick Ansel of the WSSU Police Department.

"We are trying to make the campus pedestrian friendly. Students come and go. Faculty and staff don't. There has been a drastic drop in traffic on campus [since the installation of the new lots]," Ansel said.

Lot F, behind the Hauser building, was a commuter lot

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## 'Red Sea of Sound' band booming in membership

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Winston-Salem State has experienced rapid growth in enrollment recently and so has the marching band.

The Red Sea of Sound now totals 180 members, up from 130 members during the 2007-2008 season.

Director of Bands, Dr. Michael Magruder credits the bands participation in the 2008 Honda Battle of The Bands competition in Atlanta for the increase in ranks.

"We've opened up a lot of

eyes and given our band and university exposure," he said.

"We also have a recruitment team that travels to various schools and makes personal appearances."

"I noticed the band was larger this year at one of their performances at a yard festival," junior Carese Bates said. "I was impressed."

Magruder began as a band director and an instructor five years ago.

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### BRIEFLY STATED

September is National Alcohol and Drug Addiction Recovery Month. Recovery Month is a nationwide celebration of people in long-term recovery from substance use disorders, and is supported by the Substance Abuse and Mental Health Services Administration of the U.S. Department of Health and Human Services. The 2008 theme is "Join the Voices for Recovery: Real People, Real Recovery."

Source: Wilmington News Journal, Wilmington, Ohio

Sheryl Lee Ralph, a Tony award-nominated actress will perform in "Sometimes I Cry," a one-woman production Sept. 25, at 7:30 p.m. in Kenneth R. Williams Auditorium. Ralph, an honored AIDS activist, conceived and wrote the production. The event is free and open to the public.

Source: WSSU Press Release

A Sumpter County woman was summoned to court for a child support payment of 63 cents due to a new computerized system. Ironically, her children are no longer children and she also has grandchildren. She received a letter at the end of her child support duties nearly 12 years ago that she paid in full.

Source: WLTX-TV Columbia, S.C.