

Farabee Named to Replace Jones

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Staff Writer

The city's economic development coordinator has been shifted to fill the human services director slot left vacant by Ms. Nellie Jones who is leaving. Walter W. Farabee Jr. was named acting human services director this week by Acting City Manager Lewis Cutright.

Farabee has been the coordinator of the economic development since its inception in 1975. He will still work with that department until someone can be named to fill the vacan-

cy. Farabee said that he has been assured that his change in departments would not result in the phasing out of the Economic Development Office.

"I feel that we have come a long way," Farabee said. "Nobody knew what I was supposed to do when I took this post, and since then I have nursed the post and have shown the direction to go."

He said that under his leadership, economic development has made the city of Winston-Salem a leader in the field.

"All practitioners with

similar positions in the southeastern U.S. have constantly called upon me to ask me how we did certain things," Farabee said.

Through his efforts, the city has been able to attract Local Public Works (LPW) Title II funds.

Projects funded through LPW were the Orville Powell Golf House, the fire maintenance building, the recreation maintenance building, Civitan Park and the fair grounds administration building at the fair grounds.

We were one of the few cities in the nation that had a contract go to a minority contractor," Farabee said, referring to Cartwood Consturcion Company, the contractor for the administration building.

Through the efforts of economic development, Forsyth County was designated as a development area eligible for federal assistance. He said that the city has "enhanced their chances for attracting federal



Walter 'Doc' Farabee

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Ministers Say They Back BPAL Choice

Leaders of the Baptist Ministers' Conference said they did not mean for their resolution regarding the conference's refusal to back black candidates running against each other as a negation of their commitment to back the choice of the Black Political Awareness League.

Dr. Jerry Drayton, political action chairman and author of the resolution, said the action was directed at "future situations."

Currently, three black candidates are seeking the recommendation to be appointed to a state House seat. BPAL has chosen Carl H. Russell as its choice.

"We owe it to support what BPAL has done," said Dr. J. Ray Butler, president of the conference.

Alderman Vivian H. Burke, D-NE, said she had talked with both ministers and said, "We're together."

Community Calendar

Thursday, Oct. 11

- The Winston-Salem Fire Department is conducting several public fire education activities throughout the city in observance of Fire Prevention Week, Oct. 7-13.
- The NAACP Youth Council will hold their regular meeting at 7 p.m. at the East Winston Library.
- The Human Relations Commission will meet at 7 p.m. in the City Council Chambers.
- Community Development Department will hold a Happy Hill neighborhood meeting at 7:30 at the Mock Street Community House.

Saturday, Oct. 13

- Farmer's Market opens at the fairgrounds, 6 a.m. to 2 p.m.
- AAMCO Transmission Center at 1804 Silas Creek Parkway will have its grand opening celebration from 12 noon to 3 p.m. The opening will feature Alderman John Cavanaugh performing the ribbon cutting at 12:30, free prizes and refreshments will be available.
- A yard and craft sale will be held at the Resthaven Baptist Home, located at 1868 Kentucky Ave. near WSSU. The sale will feature ceramics, Christmas items, clothing, books, games, baskets, puzzles, old furniture and many other items.

Monday, Oct. 15

- The Winston-Salem Board of Aldermen meets at 7:30 p.m. at the City Council Chambers.
- The Board of County Commissioners will meet at 7:30 p.m. at the Hall of Justice.
- The Winston-Salem/Forsyth County Board of Education will have a briefing session at 7:30 p.m. at the Administrative Center Auditorium.
- Henry Kyemba, vice president of the World Health Organization and former Uganda health minister, will discuss Uganda under the rule of former president Idi Amin at 10 a.m. in the Hauser Student Union as part of the Joseph N. Patterson Lecture Series at Winston-Salem State University.

Wednesday, Oct. 17

- Clarence "Bighouse" Gaines, WSSU's basketball coach will be roasted at a dinner at the Benton Convention Center at 7:30 p.m. Proceeds of the dinner will go to Multiple Sclerosis Society.

Street on the south, 26th Street on the north Liberty Street on the west and Bowen Park Boulevard on the east, 84 are standard, 323 need minor repairs, 656 need major repair and 41 should be demolished.

The September survey was based on only outside viewing of the buildings. Penn said Murphy will "actually do a

door-to-door survey to try to find out what the neighbors need and want."

Based on the findings, the advisor will try to match those neighborhood goals with one of 14 different federal funding sources ranging from community development block grants to the Small Business Administration.

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substandard housing. Locating them are keeping the relocation department very busy.

"There is no accurate way to know how many people are living in substandard housing at the present time because people are so transient," Disher said.

"A house may be standard today and if you get a rough tenant it can become substandard very quickly."

Disher said that even though some residents are living in substandard housing, they have the basic requirements a house needs, like water and sewage. He said that 99 out of 100 times the house also has proper wiring.

The city's policy for demolishing unfit

housing, Roberts said is to remove a structure that is very deteriorated, vacant and vandalized wherever found in a blighted area. He said a lot of houses can't be rehabilitated because it would be too expensive to repair.

Since 1976 the city has demolished 419 housing units and has had 3766 housing units brought up to standard. He said the city uses systematic inspections to detect substandard housing.

Landlords are given an opportunity to fix substandard housing but most say the housing units like the ones in the Liberty-Patterson area aren't worth it.

Disher said that condemnation is one step to relieve the Liberty-Patterson area.

Columbian Heights

The Friendly Columbian Heights Club recently hosted a bus trip to Reidsville for members and friends. The club toured Chingua-Penn Plantation

House, after which a picnic dinner was served. Ms. Edwardine Robinson, a former member of the club from Locust Hill, Va. visited with the club.

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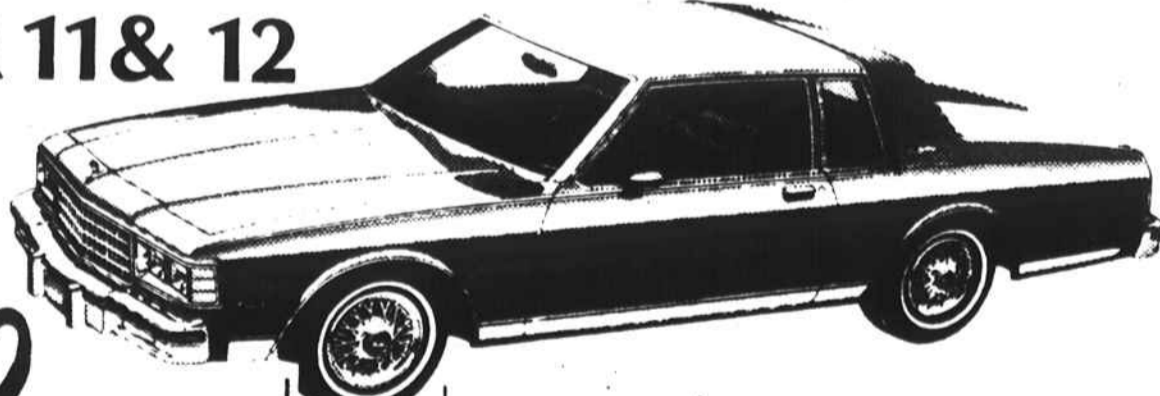


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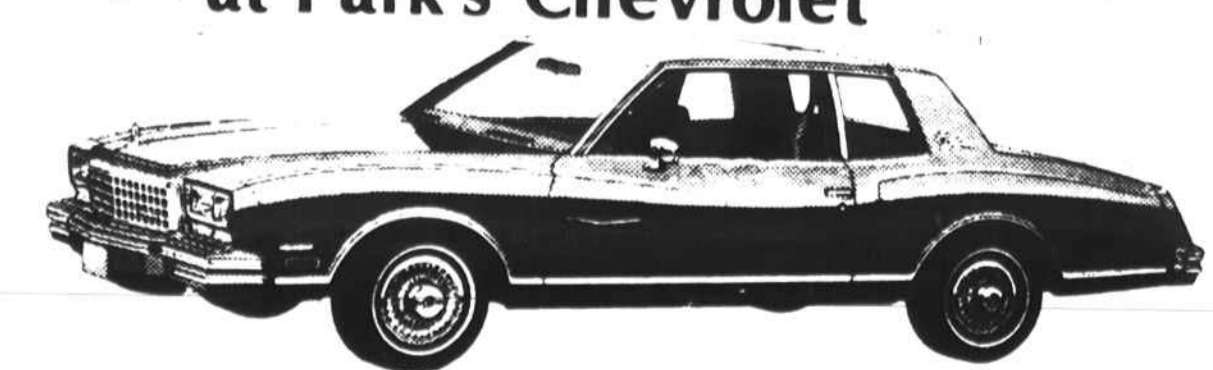
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