

People

CLOSE-UP

WSSU, LIFT form partnership

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Winston-Salem State University and the LIFT program are joining forces to help preserve a bit of local Afro-American history and help local youngsters in the process.

The two organizations are working hand-in-hand to completely re-open Camp Robert Vaughn, a camping facility located just outside of the city. Those associated with the renovation of the campsite said the facility was, and can again be, a vital part of the community.

"The camp has black historical significance prior to integration," said John Young, a National Park Service management assistant assigned to the area to work with the project. "It was used exclusively by blacks for boy scout camping, meetings and socializing. When integration came, it sort of ceased to be a camp frequented by the black community."

But Camp Robert Vaughn can be all it used to be and more, said Earline Parmon, the director of the LIFT program who is working with Vaughn on the project. She said that in addition to providing meeting facilities for clubs and organizations, the camp will seek to fulfill a need among the community's disadvantaged children.

"Camp Robert Vaughn will give students in LIFT an opportunity to be exposed to different types of

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experiences," she said. "It's (camping) something kids period have gotten away from, particularly black kids. We feel that providing something like Camp Robert Vaughn gives kids an opportunity to have a real camping experience."

Camp Robert Vaughn is a 253-acre area which offers swimming, boating, hiking, fishing, meeting space and cabins for overnight stays. Some of the cabins are equipped with kitchen facilities and each of the cabins is available for daily or overnight camping.

LIFT, short for Learning is Fun, Too, is designed to be an intervention and prevention program which works with community youth. The youth either have been involved in criminal activities or have been identified as high risk, likely candidates for juvenile criminal offenses.

Young said the partnership was formed between the university and LIFT because it was determined that the youth program had established an effective means of outreach and that LIFT was highly visible in the community. Together, LIFT and the university will be responsible for the development, management and



The facilities at the 253-acre Camp Robert Vaughn are being upgraded to bring patrons back to the campsite and to provide young campers with an opportunity to explore camping (photos courtesy of John R. Slade Jr., WSSU).

operation of Camp Robert Vaughn.

"We decided to join with LIFT on this project in order to have the personnel to accomplish our goals and to have someone in the community that they're familiar with," Young said. "It was recommended that we merge with LIFT and I'm very excited because Mrs. Parmon is a real worker and she gets things done. It's easy to find talkers, but she gets things accomplished."

Parmon and Young agree that the camp project will be designed to serve all segments of the youth community and will not be limited to those youth involved with the LIFT program. Parmon said that "camperships" will be available for youth who are unable to pay the costs of camping experiences. She

said also that she is appealing to the community to assist in providing camping opportunities for area youth.

"A lot of kids have never even been out of Forsyth County and the chance to participate in activities at Camp Robert Vaughn will help to develop their socialization skills," Parmon said. "We tried charging each kid a nominal fee of \$3 and then we tried to find funds to make up the difference in the cost for each kid. What we found was that some kids, even at \$3, could not afford to go. We want to make sure that no child is deterred because of the cost. We're seeking people to go into partnership with us on behalf of the kids in this community."

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COMMUNITY CALENDAR

SATURDAY, FEB. 6

• The Winston-Salem/Forsyth County Minority Business League will present an explanation of the "Tax Reform Act of 1986 and How it Effects Your Business" from 9 a.m. to noon. The seminar will be held at Reynolds Health Center Cafeteria. Patrick Grimes will be the facilitator for the event. The program is free and open to the public.

SUNDAY, FEB. 7

• Fern Logan's "Artist Portrait Series" will open at the Milton Rhodes Gallery in the Sawtooth Building, 226 N. Marshall St., and run through Feb. 29. The exhibit will be displayed Monday through Friday from 9 a.m. to 9 p.m., Saturday from 9 a.m. to 5 p.m. and Sunday from 1 to 5 p.m. His "Memories in Non-Silver" will open at the Delta Arts Center and run through March 12. Opening receptions will be held at the Delta Arts Center and the Sawtooth Building from 5 to 7 p.m.

WEDNESDAY, FEB. 10

• The Triad Minority Supplier Development Council will hold its monthly meeting at the Airport Hilton at noon. For more information call Janet Rumley at 373-2192.

• The program, "Discipline vs. Punishment: From Toddlers to Teens," will be held from 10 a.m. to noon. The program will focus on positive ways to help children develop into productive citizens. Persons attending the program will develop skills in working with children instead of against them. The instructor for the class is Deborah Womack who is a home economics extension agent. For more information on the free program, call 767-8213 before Feb. 8. The class will be held at the Forsyth County Agricultural Extension Building, 1450 Fairchild Drive.

PUBLIC SERVICE ANNOUNCEMENTS

• Ice skating lessons for physically and/or mentally handicapped individuals can learn basic skills and prepare for the Special Olympics Ice Skating Competition at the Beneath the Elms Ice Skating Rink every Wednesday. Also, weekly bowling for physically and/or mentally handicapped individuals is available. For more information call Jane Lyerly at 727-2505.

CHURCH CALENDAR DEADLINES

The Chronicle welcomes your church news and announcements. The deadline for submitting materials for the religion section is Monday at 5:30 p.m. Thank you.

SOCIAL NOTES

United Way celebrates good year at annual meeting

Inspired by a theme of "United -- a whole new -- Way," more than 225 people attended the 1988 Annual Meeting of the United Way of Forsyth County held at Sawtooth Center last Thursday.

Board Chairman Nicholas A. Daves, senior vice president and area executive of First National Bank, recapped the highlights of 1987 which were presented to the membership in a printed annual report.

Highlighting the meeting was a dramatic presentation by the Mandala Role Players of the Charter Mandala Center on human care needs including brief skits on a teen-ager with a drug problem, an alcoholic in the workplace and a family dealing with problems of

the elderly.

"These are real problems facing our community today, and it's not always easy to know where to turn for help," Daves said. "We want the people of Forsyth County to know that United Way and its 52 member agencies can provide solutions with a comprehensive offering of human care services and programs."

Louise G. Wilson, recently deceased and a board member of United Way since 1983, was honored for her lifelong commitment to helping minorities, the needy and the poor in the community with a special presentation. Wilson most recently served as executive director of the Experiment in Self-Reliance.

Leading Triad chefs to prepare culinary delights at annual President's Ball

The Triad Professional Chefs Association Chapter of the American Culinary Federation announces that the 6th Annual President's Ball will be held Feb. 7 starting with a reception at 6 p.m. and dinner at 7 at the Stouffers Winston Plaza

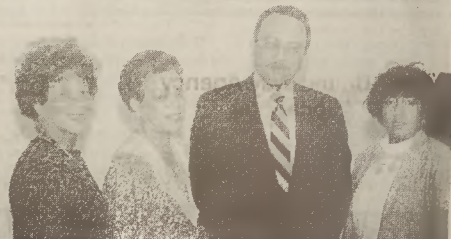
Hotel.

Invited guests include Keith Keough, southeast regional vice president American Culinary Federation; Vic Nussbaum, mayor of Greensboro; Wayne Corpening, mayor of Winston-Salem; Roy

Culler, mayor of High Point.

Entertainment and dancing music provided by the bank Cut Glass. Ticket sales benefit the many charitable organizations assisted by the Triad Professional Chefs Association, which in 1987

assisted the March of Dimes, Multiple Sclerosis, Northern Ireland Children visiting North Carolina and the Food Bank as well as the apprentice chef programs. Tickets are \$50.00 and may be purchased at The Stocked Pot & Co.



League Reception

The Urban League Guild held a reception Wednesday, Jan. 27. Velma Friende, the guild's president, presided. A national Urban League video was shown and artist Jerry Hanes' work was displayed. Pictured, from left, are Joan Cardwell, vice president; Miss Friende, Joe Dickson, Urban League Board chairman; and Hazel Brown, acting director of the local league (photo by Santana).

The program concluded with brief presentations from Daniel Peddle and Amy Baruch, high school students who are members of the United Way's Youth Leaders Council, and a brief poem presented

ed by Mary McCarry, a member of the Retired Senior Volunteer program.

During the business meeting, Daves was re-elected chairman of the board for another term

ABOUT TOWN

Nabisco contributes a vehicle to the food bank

In a recent ceremony, Nabisco Brands, Inc., donated an 18-foot truck to the Food Bank of Northwest North Carolina, Inc., headquartered in Winston-Salem.

Joyce Yanow, transportation administrator for the Biscuit Division of Nabisco Brands, presented the keys to the 1982 truck to Nan Holbrook, executive director, and Pen Sandridge, board chairman of the Food Bank of Northwest North Carolina Inc.

William Kiddle, director of branch operation services for the Biscuit Division of Nabisco Brands.

The food bank serves 18 counties with a total population of 1.5 million. Last year the organization distributed 1.5 million pounds of food through its 231 member agen-

cies all of which have either on-site or emergency feeding programs.

Nabisco Brands has supported food bank programs since 1981 through Second Harvest, a nationwide network set up to collect food and distribute it to the needy. To date, the company has contributed more than 20 million pounds of food as well as several vehicles and technical assistance. ...

Jacquelyn Salaam, a student at the University of North Carolina at Greensboro, recently made the dean's list at the university.

She is a senior majoring in information systems and operations management. The 20-year-old Salaam is the daughter of



Nabisco and Food Bank of Northwest North Carolina officials gather to celebrate the Nabisco's donation of a truck to the food bank which will be used to transport food items (photo by Santana).

Sarah and Wali Salaam of Winston-Salem.

She has one brother, Reginald, and a sister, Sherrif. ...

The Efficient Club met

recently at the home of Rozina White.

The meeting's agenda included drawing names for secret pals and three new members were installed.