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WSSU Football Player Awaits Med-School Dream

▲ Travis Perry one of 450 to march at commencement

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With the sunlight beaming in his eyes, Travis Perry admits he is a little bored this time of the year. Final exams are over, the last grades have been turned in and now he's waiting.

Waiting to hear key words that will begin a new chapter in his life: "You have been accepted to..." a medical school that will let him continue his dream of becoming a surgeon.

"I'm just bored now, because everything is just a matter of waiting to hear from the schools," said Perry, one of nearly 450 Winston-Salem State University seniors to walk across the Lawrence Joel Veterans Coliseum platform Saturday morning.

"But I'm not anxious. After being in a certain situation such as this for a long time, I learned to have patience and see what happens. So I'm not worried."

Being able to keep his focus is nothing new to this student-athlete, who was a linebacker for the Rams and will graduate *magna cum laude*. While he had a solid career on the gridiron, Perry's best numbers came off the field: He carried a 3.8 cumulative grade-point average, and a 3.7 in his major, which was biology.

Coming from tiny Wendell, a rural community northeast of Raleigh, Perry was interested in attending and playing for a Divi-

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Travis Perry will attend med-school next year.

Gaines to Be Honored

Clarence "Bighouse" Gaines, who retired last year after 47 years as basketball coach at Winston-Salem State University, will receive an honorary doctorate from Wake Forest University during commencement. Gaines won 828 games and is the second all-time winningest coach in college basketball. Gaines, a professor emeritus was the coach of the year in the CIAA five times. The awards ceremony will be held May 15 at 2 p.m. at Brendle Recital Hall.

Review Board Gets 1-Year Reprieve

COMING HOME AGAIN

TOGO WEST RETURNS TO EAST WINSTON



Togo D. West Jr. (far left) returned home to Winston-Salem for the first time since his November confirmation as Secretary of the Army. West was the keynote speaker at the Urban League's Equal Opportunity Day Dinner on April 22. With him are: William Hill, city personnel director; Lafayette Jones, CEO of Segmented Marketing Services Inc.; and Velma Friende, who is a former teacher of West.

Black Aldermen Angered by Vote

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African-American members of the board of aldermen were angered that the board agreed on a compromise to keep the police-review board in place with stipulations.

First-year Alderman Joycelyn Johnson of the East Ward told the board she was not willing to compromise because compromises had already been made compromises when the police-review board was established last year.

"I'm not in a reconciliatory mood because we worked hard on that document," she said. "We went through many compromises to get it

to where it is today."

Alderman Nancy Pleasants came up with the compromise, saying the board of aldermen is "very divided at this point" and she suggested evaluating the police-review board in May 1995 after a two-year period.

The board of aldermen in February 1993 agreed to have a police-review board. After some bickering, the board two months later decided on a list of candidates for its makeup. It will hold its first hearing May 17 at 5:30 p.m. in the council chambers at City Hall.

Aldermen Lynne Harpe, Hugh

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Review Board Victory Tentatively Celebrated

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The Rev. John Mendez led nearly 80 people in a brief candlelight vigil Monday night after the board of aldermen voted on a compromise that would keep the police-review board in place for another year.

Mendez, pastor of Emmanuel Baptist Church and an organizer of the vigil, praised the community for supporting the review board and parallel the victory to the struggle of oppressed people in South Africa.

"If we had not pressured the business people, it never would have happened," he said. "At this moment we are in solidarity with our brothers and sisters in South Africa. It could not have come at a better time."

"This is a victory for all the community groups who came together," he said. "We can't look to those aldermen in City Hall to make a difference; the people are going to have to do it."

Two weeks ago, the board of aldermen voted 5 to 3 to abolish the review board. At Monday's meeting, Alderman Nancy Pleasants offered a compromise that would allow the review board to remain in place until May 1995, giving time for its effectiveness to be evaluated.

Four of the five white alderman

Pleasants, Hugh Wright, Bob Northington and Lynne Harpe — all who were previously against the review board — voted for the compromise.

Ironically, Alderman Robert Nordlander, who has led the push to disband the board, voted with the three black aldermen — Nelson Malloy, Vivian Burke and Joycelyn Johnson — against the compromise.

Mayor Martha Wood, hoping to give the review board a fair chance, voted with compromise.

"We should give them a see REVIEW page 3

Alston Wins In At-Large Primary Race

By RICHARD L. WILLIAMS
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Nigel D. Alston, who won a chance to compete in November's general election for a seat on the city-county school board, will have little time to savor Tuesday's primary victory.

"It's going to be an uphill, tough race," he said. "Good organization and money are the two important things we will need to have (for victory in November). We'll have to look at where

the weaknesses are and fine-tune those areas. Also, we have to hold on to the votes we have and work on the ones we may not have at this point."

Alston, running at large and seeking his first ever elected office, amassed 8,242 votes. He and the three other top finishers — Nancy Wooten with 8,658 votes, Nancy Griffith with 7,892 votes and Julia Frye with 6,251 — will compete for three at-large seats on the school board. The results are unofficial.

Alston, 42, credits his victory to a hard-working, organized staff, strong endorsements and being highly visible by getting out in the community.

Alston, the assistant vice president of employee and community relations at Integon Corp., has the backing of a broad base of business and political leaders. That apparently helped him win the predominantly white Summit School

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Citizens Urged to Support E. Winston Campus

By RICHARD L. WILLIAMS
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The jury is still out on whether a satellite branch of Forsyth Technical Community College will be built in East Winston or Kernersville — or both.

While some residents of East Winston thought that a Forsyth Tech satellite branch off Carver School Road was a done deal, many aren't so sure anymore.

Talk of a satellite branch began in earnest

last year when state officials were seeking support for education bond referendums totalling \$560 million — \$250 million of which was to go toward construction and enhancements of community colleges across the state. Many local blacks supported the referendums because they were under the impression that \$8 million of those funds were to be used to build a satellite in East Winston.

"When we first began looking at expansion, that was one of the first areas we were seriously looking at," said James Rousseau, vice president

of planning and development at Forsyth Tech. "It's not that the college is running out on a promise it made. It's just that now we don't have the flexibility to do what we want to do."

Last year, however, the state Board of Community Colleges directed that detailed studies be done on all potential locations to see if the area would support a satellite branch, Rousseau said.

Residents will have a chance to show support for a satellite in the community at a forum

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