

Triumphant Achievers



Minnie Ervin honored at Board of Alderman meeting

Alderman of the North Ward Nelsen Malloy Jr. presented Minnie Ervin with a resolution on behalf of Mayor Martha S. Wood and the Board of Alderman as her husband Jakay Ervin Sr. supported her. Mrs. Ervin received this recognition Aug. 18 at the Board of Alderman's meeting at City Hall in Winston-Salem.

This resolution was in honor of Ervin's receiving the Essie B. Lennon Award at the North Carolina Beauty League State Convention. Essie B. Lennon was a pioneer of the Winston-Salem community, who was very active in Emmanuel Baptist Church as a missionary and leader as well as a cosmetologist. The award was named in her honor.

Minnie Ervin received the award for her outstanding work in the Winston-Salem Community. Ervin is one of several members of Chapter 14 of the N.C. State Beauticians and Cosmetology Association Inc. Based on her service to the community for more than 30 years and her willingness to maintain high standards in professional beauty care, Ervin's talents were recognized. She was honored for preserving "a portion of our nation's wealth — the feminine beauty of America." She has also added to the economic growth of the community.

"I feel so humble and so grateful that my work has been able to help someone," Ervin said. Her motto is "Service to Humanity."

"I will continue to serve the community and the people. I get joy out of doing this," Ervin said. She said she is very grateful to Mayor Martha Wood and the members of the Board of Alderman for this honor.

Alderman Joycelyn Johnson honors Reunion Committee

The Happy Hill Garden Reunion Committee put together a historical three-day event under the direction of Ben Piggott and William "Rock" Biting during the weekend of July 17-19. For their commitment to preserving the history of this community, Alderman Joycelyn Johnson presented each of the committee members with a framed certificate of service from the City of Winston-Salem. Happy Hill Gardens is the oldest liberated African-American community in Winston-Salem. In the front row are Micheal Kimbrough, Jackie Biting Neal, Laura Allen, Annette Martin, Ben Piggott, Patricia James, Melissa Kimbrough, Jolanda Williams, Arlene Tanner and Jerry McDuffie. In the back row are Kayyum Allah, Patricia Biting, Maurice Johnson, Barbara Hughes, Mel White, Lacie Biting, Doris Tetter Rice, Veronica Biting and William "Rock" Biting. Members of the committee were recognized with citations from the City of Winston-Salem.

Several leaders in the community were recognized at the reunion for their community service. Front row are School Crossing Guard Azalee Jenkin, Curtis "Breadman" Roseboro, Ebonett Gospel Singers, and Howard Ward. In the back row are Marie Roseboro, W-S Housing Authority director, keynote speaker Melvin McDuffie, Ben Piggott, William "Rock" Biting and Bill McClain.

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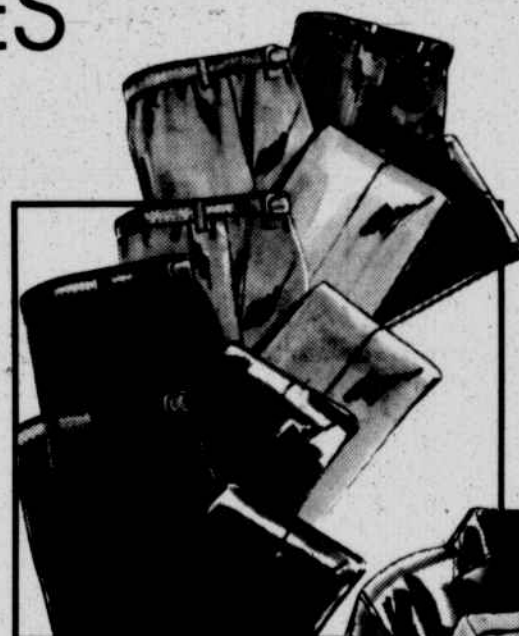


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