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# up promises Gen X-friendly city

al hundred of their peers, a city residents vowed to be the 's 18 - 40-year-old population. nade the vow at last week's ve, the rock-tinged outdoor d each Thursday during the ening Plaza. Alive After Five sic events have been credited ife back into the downtown

been praised by the city's demographic for giving the city something it lacked for years – a night life.

The city's attempt to make more inroads with its young residents led to the formation Future Leaders of Winston-Salem (FLOWS), a committee made up 13 young professionals between the ages of 18 and 40. The committee will focus on ways to "retain" and "recruit" the 18-40 population by targeting areas like entertainment, business and education. The group will also work to craft a hip image for the city.

"We want to find out what exactly Winston-Salem's niche is," said committee member John Davenport Jr., a 32-year-old traffic engineer for the state's Department of Trans-

Davenport was born and raised here, but moved away to attend N.C. State University in Raleigh. He stayed in the capital city for about seven years before moving back home.

Raleigh is one of the cities that is said to have gained from Winston-Salem's shrinking population of young people. According to a city survey last year, Winston-Salem lost about 9,000 people between the ages of 18 and 34 in the 1990s to cities like Raleigh, Charlotte, Greensboro and Atlanta.

Mayor Jack Cavanagh found the figures

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Mayor Jack Cavanagh talks with FLOWS co-chair Marsha Askins at

# Easter praise

Stephen Missionary Baptist Church sings hymns at the beginning of the service.

### rch holds emotional service

iate ministers of St. Stephen Misist Church presented "The Seven f Jesus Christ" Friday night in an

s, stood, raised their hands and essions of faith. Dwight Jones gave a sermonette on orgiveness – "Father forgive them:

v not what they do" (Luke 23:32). aten. He was a social and political rocked the boat. Amen? Amen,"

... qualified,,, glorified to get the destroy the devil and reconcile us

the answer to all our problems. know the man from Galilee. vill not save you. Religion will not save you. Only He will save you."

Rev. DeJuan Oglesby gave a sermonette on the word of salvation—"Verity, I say unto thee, today shalt thou be with me in paradise" (Luke

"I don't want religion; just give me Jesus," vice, in which people in the audi- Oglesby said. "Religious people say, 'If you don't pray like I pray, you ain't saved....If you don't preach like I preach, you ain't saved....If you don't go to church like I go to church, you ain't saved.'

"I'm here to tell you there are some people in heaven that you didn't think would be there."

Orlesby talked about the two men on crosses beside Jesus and how one of the men accepted Jesus and asked for forgiveness, and rebuked the other man for doubting that Jesus was the

The Rev. Artis Smith gave a sermonette on

See St. Stephen on All

# Nearly 48 years late, soldier receives medal

BY CHERIS HODGES THE CHRONICLE

James Garner, more affectionately known as Bunker Dee, didn't think about jumping into the river to save the lives of two fellow soldiers. He

Garner was serving in the Korean War fighting for the United States in a segregated army. He saw a man in the waters struggling to make it ashore after a battle.

Without regard for his safety, he jumped in and pulled the man to safety. Then Garner saw another man struggling further out in the murky waters. Even though he was tired from his first rescue, Garner jumped in to save the second man's life.

"I wasn't thinking, to tell you the truth," he said about the rescue. "I just went on and did what

His act was so courageous that he was promised the Soldier's Medal, an award given to service men for acts of courage outside of a hostile environment.

The rescue happened May 20, 1952. Garner didn't receive his medal until April 25, 2000. "I feel elated right now," he said after receiv-

ing his medal. "I am just as happy as I can be.'

Even though Garner is overjoyed about receiving the medal, he thinks the racial climate of the



James Garner and his wife, Dorothy, applaud those who came to see Garner receive his long overdue

time prevented him from receiving the Congressional Medal of Honor. Garner, who is African

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# Prescribed medicine should be covered by Medicare, Watt says

BY CHERIS HODGES THE CHRONICLE

Although Tuesday's cold rain and wind kept many senior citizens in the Winston-Salem community from attending a forum with 12th District Congressman Mel Watt, he was willing to talk about one of the major issues facing the geriatric population – the high cost of prescription medi-

"Medicare provides no coverage for prescription medication,"

He added that 40 years ago when the Medicare plan was drawn up, the present advance-ments in medicine had not been made and the problems with seniors was the fact that they were not getting to the doctor because of the expense.

Now, Watt said, senior citizens are not getting the proper medication because the prices are

"Nowadays, when seniors go to the hospital, it is because they are not getting their medication,"

According to Watt, senior citizens pay an average of \$525 per month on medicine.

See Medicare on A11

# als honored for lifelong commitments to education

er awarded azing trails

nuch of his 82 years, Charlie Brady nown as C.B. Hauser, has blazed lighty example for others to follow. a fraternal organization that nged to for half a century gave

m for his dedication. nonored by Phi Delta Kappa Frate group's regular meeting on the College. Phi Delta Kappa is a pro-

we pat on the back Monday night

on-oriented organization that prond leadership. Hauser, who has

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C.B. Hauser, standing by his wife, Lois, prepares to receive a plaque from Phi Delta Kappa member Dan Wishnietsky at the group's meeting Monday.

## Witherspoon says farewell

BY T. KEVIN WALKER THE CHRONICLE

Peggy Witherspoon's trip to dinner took a detour as a night on the town with her husband and children turned into an oral walk down memory lane with many of her closet friends and colleagues acting as narrators.

Witherspoon got an early retirement send-off last Saturday at the Sawtooth Building. The popular Carver High School physical education teacher will say good-bye to more than 33 years of

See Witherspoon on A13 more than 30 years.



Peggy Witherspoon, left, hugs friend Bobbie Miller at her "Bon Voyage" celebration last week. Witherspoon will retire from the school system after

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