

Community Calendar

April 27

New service for reading impaired

The Triad Information Reading Service (TIRS) announces that its live broadcasts are now available in the Triad Area. TIRS is a radio reading service for the visually impaired that provides readings of local and national newspapers, magazines and recent novels. People in a 32-county area are able to receive this free service thanks to WFDD, Piedmont Public Radio from Wake Forest University, providing the frequency for the broadcasts, and the Winston-Salem Foundation providing a \$10,000 grant. Volunteers will act as readers and hosts of local and national programs.

The public is invited to an open house on Friday, April 27, from 9 a.m. until 1 p.m. in the Information Systems Building on the campus of Wake Forest University.

If you have interest in obtaining a receiver for the Triad Information Reading Service, call Linda Sparks at (336) 788-9116. To volunteer your time, call Jonathan Milam at (336) 758-1847.

May 1

American Business Women Association

The Forsyth Chapter of the American Business Women Association will hold its monthly meeting on Tuesday, May 1, at 6 p.m. at the Hawthorne Inn. If you are interested in attending, call Margaret Brown at (336) 761-1873.

May 5

The Math and Science Academy of Excellence Summer Program at WSSU

Applications are due May 5 for The Math and Science Academy of Excellence Summer Program at WSSU. Virginia Newell is director of the program. Rising sixth, seventh- and eighth-graders are welcome to apply through your school counselors.

Bivouac Lodge 503 to sell fish dinners

Bivouac Lodge 503 will sell fish dinners on May 5. The dinners will consist of a choice of bone or filet fish with baked beans, slaw, hush puppies, dinner roll and poundcake slices. Feel free to dine in with the brethren or take out. The event will be at the Masonic Temple, 1025 E. 14th Street from 10 a.m. until 6 p.m. The donation is \$5. Funds raised will be used to assist families in distress and in

need of assistance. The Brethren of Bivouac Lodge 503 thank you for your support, which will enable us to reach out to even more in the communities. Linwood Jerald Jr. is lodge worshipful master.

May 11

Regular monthly NARFE meeting postponed until May 11.

The regular monthly meeting of the National Association of Retired and Working Federal Employees (NARFE) is postponed until Friday, May 11, at 11:30 a.m. at the Elks Lodge, 3340 Silas Creek Parkway.

Sue Sloop, vice president, will highlight issues received at the recent Legislature conference held in Washington, D.C. All federal retirees and employees are invited to attend.

For more information, call (336) 721-1783.

May 13

Mother's Day Gospel program

A Mother's Day Gospel program will be held Sunday, May 13, at Carver High School at 4 p.m.,

with The Expression, Mighty Wonders, The Stars of Joy, The Peacemakers, The Knights of Harmony. Donations are \$12 in advance or \$15 at the door. Call Leo Adams at 788-0938 for more information.

May 19-20

Native American Pow Wow

The 14th Annual Native American Pow Wow will be held on Saturday and Sunday, May 19 and 20, on the Richmond Community College campus in Hamlet. Opening ceremonies will begin at noon each day, with closing at 8 p.m. on Saturday and 5 p.m. on Sunday. Featured: Native American dancing, storytelling, survival skills demonstrations, plenty of food along with authentic Native American silver jewelry, pottery and other wares.

John Blackfeather from Hillsborough will be the master of ceremonies along with Easter Bull Drummers from Greenville, N.C.

For information, call (910) 582-7184 or (910) 582-7010.

June 19

Porter/Poindexter family reunion

Registration forms for the Porter/Poindexter family reunion have been mailed. The 2001 reunion will be held on Saturday, June 19, at Tanglewood Park in Clemmons. The cost is \$15 per person.

If you have not received your registration form, contact Clyde Glenn or Harrison Porter at (336) 416-2410. Leave your name and address. Also, you may send an e-mail to P and P Reunion@aol.com or write us at The Porter/Poindexter Family Reunion, 2065 Waccoway Path, Winston-Salem, NC 27127.

Other

Old School Variety Show

Persons participating in or interested in participating in the Old School Variety Show will rehearse on April 28, noon, Anderson Center, WSSU. Time period covering 1971 and back. The show will be presented May 5 at 7 p.m. at Carver High Auditorium. Arnita Dean (Boss Lady) will be MC. This is an NDI Production. For more information, call

Delores J. Wall, 723-3911; Nathaniel Williams, 924-6339; Ike Howard, 750-2120.

HIV, syphilis and diabetes screening

Free and confidential HIV, syphilis and diabetes screening. Afternoons and evenings. Call Rachel at 722-5774 for times and location. Sponsored by HOPE and the Health Department.

Pageant

Fantasia dance group of Winston-Salem will sponsor a Junior Miss and Miss pageant. If you have a daughter between 9 and 16 years of age who would like to participate, call Priscilla Jimenez at 785-1684 for more information.

Children's Home seeking volunteers

The Children's Home is seeking volunteers, single and married adults over 21 years old, to work with "at risk" youths and their families. Training is provided. For more info, call volunteer coordinator, 721-7699, or visit our Web site: thechildrenshome.com.

Cee Knowledge

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with unforgettable stops at the Great American Music Hall in San Francisco, the Bohemian in Seattle and Tipitina's in New Orleans. Cee and his band and scheduled to bring the live show to Winston-Salem's Ziggy's May 2. Recently, Cee has released a live CD as well as producing an LP and recording an EP/maxi-single.

Reflecting on the sound, Cee talked about how the group's music contains some of the same elements that you hear in Digable Planets, but they offer more of a twist. "We are the next generation of Digable Planets. Our sound is similar to Digable Planets because that is where our roots are, but it is also different because we have added our own flavor," Cee said.

Born Craig Irving in Philadelphia, this 33-year-old definitely has a vision of where he wants to be musically and personally. For Cee, hip-hop is more than just what you see on the BET and MTV videos, but it's subject to exposing yourself to new and original sounds of hip-hop. Here's what Cee had to say about what young listeners should do as far as soul-searching: "Be yourself, think for yourself and love yourself."

Cee commented, "Listen to many new sounds of hip-hop, but remember that the way of life isn't

what you see in the videos." Cee wants to extend the positives of living through his music, but without showing the negatives one will not know what is positive; therefore, he plans to show both sides.

Cee grew up listening to an array of music artists, ranging from Miles Davis, Bessie Smith and Stevie Wonder to Dr. Dre, De La Soul and A Tribe Called Quest.

With a few projects lined up for the future, Cee is planning to venture out into other artistic genres. He has been looking at a movie script as well as preparing songs for the soundtrack. He is also looking to develop some solo careers for some of the members in his band.

Though the road has not been easy for Cee, he has managed to keep motivated and inspired by looking at his two children, ages 5 and 7. His philosophy in life is very simple: "Keep seeking the truth and be yourself and love yourself. Once you realize that we all are 'one' no matter what race, age or gender we are, then we will be able to come full circle into recognizing who we are."

You can check out Cee Knowledge and the Cosmic Funk Orchestra on Wednesday May 2, when the band stops at Ziggy's to give Winston-Salem a dose of what they call "street jazz poetry"—a funk-filled, band-mixing sound that includes abstract rhymes.

Forum on Black Power to be held

SPECIAL TO THE CHRONICLE

On Tuesday, May 1, the Winston-Salem branch of the National People's Democratic Uhuru Movement (NPDUM) will hold a community forum on Black Power. Titled "What Happened to Black Power?" the forum will deal with issues such as the economic plight of the black community, police brutality and containment, and the edu-

cation of black children. All issues will be explored from a historical perspective, and we will seek to provide answers to the questions facing Winston-Salem's black community. The forum will be held on the campus of Winston-Salem State University, in the Thompson Center, room 203. It will begin at 7 p.m. For more information, call (336) 218-5217. "Uhuru" means freedom.

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