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Community Calendar

Bridge club will have tournament

The Winston-Salem Kings and Queens Duplicate Bridge Club will have a "Membership Game" (tournament) on Jan. 15 at 7 p.m. at the Rupert Bell Recreation Center. The game is open toall bridge players.

A business meeting of the club will begin at 6:30 p.m. Dues for the 2004 year should be paid before or at this meeting. Refreshments will be served. Interested persons are welcome to join the club. Games are held every Monday (2 p.m.) at the Carl H. Russell Community Center, and every third Thursday and fourth Tuesday of each month (7 p.m.) at the

Rupert Bell Recreation Center. Charles W. Gadson is the director-in-charge of games. Rudolph V. Boone Sr. is president of the club. Sandra Brown is the tournament chairperson, and Norma Vincent is the treasurer. For more information, call 767-4087.

> Special chili lunches available at YWCA

The YWCA of Winston-Salem will host a special chili lunch Jan. 21 from 11 a.m. to 1 p.m. at its main facility, 1201 Glade Street.

The lunch will feature chili donated by local restaurants and chefs. Lunch is \$2 and includes chili, bread or crackers, and tea.

- Proceeds from the event will benefit Project New Start, a pro-gram of the YWCA that assists previously incarcerated women in

re-establishing their lives. For more information, call the YWCA at 722-5138, ext. 221.

Free t'ai chi introduction Jan. 31

A free t'ai chi introduction at the Golden Flower T'ai Chi Center, 612 Trade Street, Arts District, will be held Jan. 31 at 11 a.m.

At the t'ai chi chuan introduction, you will learn practices for relaxation developed thousands of years ago. These time-proven techniques have been scientifically shown to reduce stress, relieve chronic pain, lower blood pressure, slow the aging process, alle-viate asthma, combat depression and improve balance.

... Free refreshments will be pro-vided. The center's tea and tonic bar and store will be open from 11 a.m. to 5 p.m. For more informa-tion call 727-1131, www.goldenflower.us.

Free warm-water exercise class

The Shepherd's Center of Greater Winston-Salem will offer a free warm-water exercise class for Forsyth County adults aged 50 and over on eight Mondays, beginning Feb. 2. The class will be from 1 to 2 p.m. at Arbor Acres United Methodist *Retirement Community Pool, 1240 Arbor Road. Enrollment is limited. Register by calling 748-0217. The Shepherd's Center of Greater Winston-Salem is at 1700 Ebert Street.

Time Shine

Fair encourages early enrollment for magnet schools

BY PAUL COLLINS THE CHRONICLE

Interested onlookers watched from the upper level of Hanes Mall Sunday afternoon as Whit-ney Fulwood of Diggs Elementary School sang a solo during Diggs Dreamers Chorus' performance of the religious tune "His Eye Is on the Sparrow." The event was the Winston-Salem/Forsyth County Schools' annual Magnet School Enrollment Fair, which was held from 1 to 5 p.m. on the lower level of Hanes Mall in front of Belk.

In addition to the choral performance, Diggs students performed a dramatic excerpt from Shakespeare's "A Midsummer Night's Dream" (Act 3, Scene 1); "Hava Nagalia," a dance and choral performance; a celebratory dance from Norway; and instrumental music ("Ode to Joy" from Beethoven's Ninth Symphony).

Tiffany Burgess, drama teacher and arts coordinator at Diggs Elementary, told the audience: "This excerpt is a tune that many of you know from church as 'Ode to Joy,' or 'Joyful, Joyful, We Adore Thee.' Beethoven was deaf at the first performance of the Ninth Symphony in 1824...."

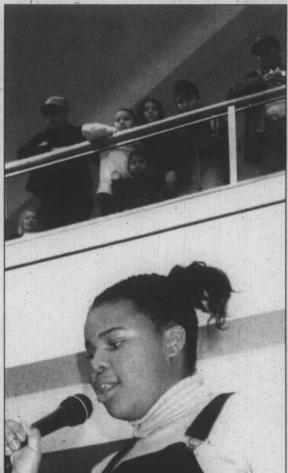
Burgess said in an interview that Diggs' arts program exposes students to dance, drame band, orchestra, piano composition and visual arts. And the school does arts integration to teach math and science concepts, English, reading and language arts.
Michelle Jordan is the mother of Diggs

fourth-grader Tiffanee Jordan, who took part in the dramatic and choral performances at Hanes

See Magnet on C2



Tyler Fulton and Katherine Ashburn act during Diggs Visual and Performing Arts Elementary Magnet School's performance of Act 3, Scene 1 of Shakespeare's "A Midsummer Night's Dream."



Whitney Fulwood sings a solo during the Diggs Dreamers Chorus' performance of "His Eye Is on the Sparrow."



Erica Crawford, on viola, and Tyshaun Carter, on violin; play as part of Diggs band and orchestra students' performance of "Ode to Joy" from Beethoven's Ninth Symphony.



Nikia Watson, Brandon Rucker, Khadeeja McMullen and Aspen Spencer sing with the Diggs Dreamers Chorus during its performance of "His Eye Is on the Sparrow."

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