

# COMMUNITY

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JUNE 24, 2004

SECTION C



## Community Calendar

### Family reunion

The Brookstown/Pfafftown Pledgers will hold their old-fashioned family reunion on July 11 from 2 until 5 p.m. at the Carl Russell Community and Recreation Center on Carver School Road. All relatives are invited to come out, rejoice and celebrate this 66th reunion with family and friends. We ask that you bring your picnic basket of favorite foods to share.

Family T-shirts may be purchased before the reunion, so get there early. Or contact Jean to reserve your size(s) at 924-5038.

### Happy Hill Community Reunion set for July 17

William C. Sims, Sr. Recreation Center will present the 11th Annual Happy Hill Community Reunion July 17 from 11 a.m. to 6 p.m. This event will honor young adults at the Sims Center July 16 from 7 p.m. to 9 p.m.

The program on Saturday will feature choirs, step teams, health fair, Happy Hill history table, food and prizes. Sponsors are Winston-Salem Recreation and Parks, HAWS and Coca-Cola Bottling Co. Enjoy the vendors, car show, horse show tournament and swimming in Happy Hill.

Contact Ben Piggott at 727-2837 or Rock Biting at 650-0858. The center is at 1201 Alder Street.

### A Toast to the Taste Caribbean Style set for July 3

National Women of Achievement Inc. invites you to A Toast of the Taste Caribbean Style, a third annual scholarship fundraising event, on Saturday, July 3, from 6 to 10 p.m. at Graceland Estates, 390-396 Gaither Road. There will be Caribbean food, music and attire, as well as fireworks and fishing. DJ Tom Brown will provide music. Donation: \$45 single (\$35 tax deductible), \$75 couple (\$45 tax deductible). Contact Floozie Anderson at 724-7428 or Joan Caldwell at 725-5742.

### Vacation Bible School

Piney Grove Baptist Church, 4715 Indiana Ave., will hold Vacation Bible School June 28 through July 2 from 6 to 8 p.m. For more information or transportation, call the church at (336) 767-4044.

### Vacation Bible School

Come out for food, fun and fellowship Monday, June 28, through Wednesday, June 30, Mt. Carmel Missionary Baptist Church will have its annual Vacation Bible School for all ages. Classes will begin at 6:15 p.m. and end at 7:45 p.m. Children, youths and adults of all ages are welcome. Call the church office for more information at 784-7802. Mt. Carmel MBC is at 3230 Heitman Drive in Winston-Salem in the Easton community.

### Vacation Bible School

Bethlehem Missionary Baptist Church, 1711 N. Claremont Ave., will hold Vacation Bible School June 28 through July 2 from 6 until 8:30 p.m. All children, preschool and up, are invited to attend this special event. For more information, contact the church at 723-1297.



Louise Davis and Johnny Austin share a victory dance after winning the queen and kings crowns.

Photos by Kevin Walker



Housing Authority employee Gloria Crews provides entertainment.



Sandra Williamson applauds the selection of queen of June Jubilee.

## THE ROYAL COURT

Sunrise Towers crowns king and queen at first-ever June Jubilee

BY T. KEVIN WALKER  
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The sun had barely set on Sunrise Towers Friday before the music started blaring and the smell of hot dogs and burgers on a grill began to waft through open windows in the high-rise building. The sounds and smells attracted many of the 200 people who call Sunrise Towers home. They came by foot, wheelchair and walkers, many decked in their finest suits and dresses.

It was the first time that Sunrise had held its June Jubilee — a fun mix of food, music, dance and fellowship — but after last week's success, residents hope to have many, many more.

"We are just trying to let our residents know that there is still life and good times after a certain age," said Wallace Andrews, president of the Sunrise Towers residents' council.

The towers, located along Martin Luther King Jr. Drive, once served primarily as housing for the elderly, but in recent years the complex has opened its doors to people of all ages. The June Jubilee saw a good mix of senior citizens and middle-age people. Sunrise Towers' residents are a tight bunch, but property manager Barbara Simmons said residents' busy schedules often keep them from spending quality time together.

To remedy that, every so often the residents' council organizes a social event, things like Bingo tournaments and potlucks.

"They enjoy getting out of their apartments and coming together for things like this," Simmons said.

The success of the June Jubilee will actually make it possible for Sunrise Towers residents to get together more in the future. The event was partly a fund-raiser. Residents sold tickets to the event to raise money. They sold nearly \$200 in tickets, money that will be used to fund future gatherings.

The top ticket sellers were honored during the June Jubilee by being crowned king and queen of the event.



Almeta Caldwell sings along to the music as she helps her neighbor Lucinda Watlington into the banquet hall.



Barbara Simmons and Wallace Andrews make last minute preparations.

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