

Crowded field vies for N.E. seat

Primary election for City Council is Tuesday BY T. KEVIN WALKER THE CHRONICLE

Tuesday, voters in the Northeast Ward will go to the polls and choose the Democrat that they want to represent them on the City Council. The winner will face no opponents in the November general elec-tion. Here is a profile of each of the people running in the race.

Carl Matthews used the 90 seconds allotted to political candidates during last week's CHANGE meeting to tell the nearly 200 people gathered in Union Chapel Baptist Church why he doesn't care for Mayor





Democrats Sam Davis (from left), Carl Matthews, Rasheed Bey and Vivian Burke are hoping for a win Tuesday.

Pro Tempore Vivian Burke, the woman he hopes to replace on the City Council.

Telling it as he sees it has always been Matthews' style. That worked well for him more than 40 years ago when he led a group of students from Winston-Salem State and Wake Forest in a series of sitins that eventually led to the integration of downtown lunch

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But in politics - where voters tend to favor candidates who play nice - Matthews' inyour-face style may be an acquired taste. At the meeting,

for example, there was a gasp or two from the audience when Matthews mentioned Burke who was sitting just a few feet away from him. But Matthews

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BLACK, MALE AND FEMINIST Duke professor talks hip-hop and sexual politics at WSSU

BY T. KEVIN WALKER THE CHRONICLE

He was raised by a self-assured, spirited mother and is the father of two adolescent daughters, so Mark Anthony Neal says it is only nat-ural for him to be a "black male feminist."



Tiffany Richmond wears the Miss W5SU crown.

He shares many of the qualities of traditional feminist. He believes in equal rights for women, relates to their plights for respect and dignity in a male-dominated world, and makes a point of speaking out about the many inequities they face. It seemed like the only time that

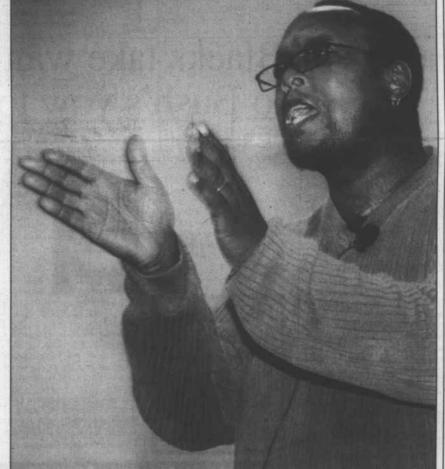
Neal did anything remotely close to denigrating women was when he popped a CD into his car stereo sys-

Born and bred in Brooklyn, Neal is a self-proclaimed child of hip-hop. favorite artists include fellow His

Brooklynites Mos Def and the late Notorious BIG, whose discography includes songs like "Me & My B**ch. Neal has come to the realization that

some of the music he loves would turn the stomach of a true-blue feminist.

"The reality was that I was just a feminist on paper," Neal, an associate professor of black popular culture at Duke University, told more



WSSU alumni asked to dig deep Graduate capital

campaign aims to raise more than \$1.8 million BY T. KEVIN WALKER THE CHRONICLE

Alumni of Winston-Salem State University will be working to encourage their fellow alumni to contribute financially to their alma mater.

Officials announced the plan Sat-

urday on campus during a kickoff celebra tion for h e school's alumni capital cam -Hart paign. A



goal of \$1,892,000 has been set for the campaign. The amount is symbolic: WSSU was founded in 1892.

"Our commitment to the capital campaign is going to be more than lip service," said National Alumni Association President Catherine Pettie Hart. "We are stepping for-ward boldly and proudly to show you the money."

The alumni campaign is part of the school's overall capital campaign that hopes to raise \$35 million by 2007. The capital campaign has already secured about \$16 million.

Saturday marked the public phase of the alumni campaign. A silent phase has already raised \$1.3 million of the \$1,892,000. But alumni say the public phase will be most challenging because most of the alums who want to give have already done so. Many of those who have already contributed will be recruited to be so-called "class agents," who will lobby other alumni to open their checkbooks.

One argument that class agents will use to convince others to give is WSSU's tremendous growth in the last See Alumni on A10

than 200 Winston-Salem State University students

He came to the school's campus last week to deliver the latest lecture in the university's Joseph N. Patterson Series.

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Seniors food program works to keep 'wheels' turning

Dr. Mark Anthony Neal often speaks on matters of race, sex and hip-hop.

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Carl Dunlap hands Inez Southerland her lunch on He Friday. and Southerhave land become close the over y e a r s through the Meals-on-Wheels program.



Waiting list for Meals-on-Wheels continues to grow

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The sight of Carl Dunlap always brings a smile to Inez Southerland's face.

For about three years, Dunlap has been coming to the East Winston senior citizens apartment complex where Southerland lives. He brings her a nutritious lunch through Senior Services' Mealson-Wheels program, along with good conversation and a laugh or two.

"He is just really a special per-son," Southerland said Friday as Dunlap delivered her meal. Dunlap, a retired R.J. Reynolds employee, has been a Meals-on-Wheels volun-

teer since 2002. "It is about more than delivering a meal for me," Dunlap said. "Sometimes you are the only person these people see all day. They look forward to that interaction." Dunlap usually volunteers one day a week.

delivering a dozen or so meals to seniors. There is a continuous effort to add more and more delivery stops for volunteers like Dunlap.

Demand is much greater than supply at the 40-year-old Meals-on-Wheels program. About 755 seniors in the county receive hot lunches. The number of people on the program's waiting list fluctuates from day to day but is currently about 180

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"This (senior citizen) population is growing," said Robin Modica, director of Meals-on-Wheels. "We have to grow to meet the need."

