

Fred Terry is new head of Forsyth County Democrats



Former City Council Member Fred Terry speaks at a community event in 2005.

CHRONICLE STAFF REPORT

Former City Council Member Fred Terry was elected the new chairman of the Forsyth County Democratic Party April 21 during the party's convention at Forsyth Technical Community College's West campus.

Terry served two terms on the council, representing the city's Southeast Ward. He did not seek reelection in 2005 in order to pursue educational interests. His wife, Evelyn Terry, successfully won his seat and now serves the Southeast on the council.

Terry is the second consecutive African American to serve as chair. He succeeds Harold Kennedy III, who two years ago became the first black Forsyth County chair in more than two decades.

The other officers elected were: Mary Dickinson, first vice chair; Albert Porter, second vice chair (reelected); Ryan Eller, third vice chair; Benita Ruffin, secretary; Michael Oder, corresponding secretary (reelected); and Bill Browning, treasurer (reelected).

Representation from most of the county's precincts were

on hand, giving the 2007 Convention its largest attendance in years. Elected officials in attendance included State Sen. Linda Garrou, State Rep. Larry Womble, County

Commissioners Ted Kaplan, Walter Marshall and Beaufort O. Bailey. Mayor Allen Joines and City Council Member Dan Besse, a candidate for lieutenant governor, were also present.

State Rep. Dan Blue, of Wake County, was the keynote speaker, telling the crowd about what he called hypocrisies of the Republican Party.

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A NEW DAY AT SALEM



Susan E. Pauly, the 19th president of Salem Academy and College, smiles as she looks out over a sea of alumnae and supporters last week during her swearing-in ceremony. Pauly, the former vice president for academic affairs and dean of Mount Mercy College, was chosen last year to lead Salem, the nation's oldest educational institution for women. She succeeds Julianne Still Thrift, who retired last year after 15 years as president.

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nationally about racial insensitivity, brought on by Don Imus' derogatory comments about black members of the Rutgers University women's basketball team.

Imus didn't use the slur in those comments, but was fired in early April by CBS Radio and NBC

after major companies including General Motors pulled their advertising spots. "Now that corporate America has caught up, maybe something will happen," Anthony said. "We have to stop investing in stuff that is killing us."

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