

Graduates pose with Chief Pat Norris and other members of the WSPD leadership team.

# Citizen's Police Academy graduates more residents

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The Winston-Salem Police Department had the graduation ceremony for its Spring 2008 Citizen's Police Academy on Tuesday, June 3 at the Public Safety Center.

In attendance were 21 graduating members of the Academy, Police Chief Patricia Norris and members of the Department's Command Staff

The Citizens' Police Academy is a 12-week program of comprehensive instruction designed to give citizens an opportunity to become better acquainted with the law enforcement profession and the role of the department within the community.

The Citizen's Police Academy is offered two times a year and is open to individuals 18 and older who reside, work, or attend school in Forsyth County. The fall session of the Citizen's Police Academy is scheduled for Aug. 26 – Nov. 11.

Those interested in the next scheduled session may call 336-773-7788 or visit www.wspd.org for more information.

## Watt to tell residents about federal grant opportunities

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U.S. Rep. Mel Watt is sponsoring his 2008 12th Congressional District Grants Conference on June 16°at the Phillips Classroom Building at High Point University in High Point from 8 a.m. – 12:30 p.m. This conference is designed to provide local government agencies, educational institutions and nonprofit organizations with details about the grant acquisition process and how to apply for federal grants.

The conference will provide information on the programs offered by federal agencies, the intricacies of the application process and tools for locating and researching federal funding opportunities. The sessions will feature representatives from a number of

federal agencies, including Departments Commerce, Health Human Services, Homeland Security, Housing and Urban Development, Justice and Labor. Congressman Watt sponsors a grants conference every year in various parts of his congressional district which covers parts of Mecklenburg, Cabarrus, Rowan, Davidson, Guilford and Forsyth counties.

"The grants conferences have proven to be very valuable resources for governments, agencies and individuals seeking grants from the federal government," Watt said. "We try to improve the information and resources we provide each year and have gotten great feedback from our efforts."



Mel Watt represents the 12th District of N.C.

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### Busy spring for ABWA

The Winston Salem Chapter of American Business Women's Association (ABWA) participated in the recent Winston-Salem Chamber of Commerce Business Expo. Members followed that event with their annual spring membership campaign. From this campaign, eight women joined ABWA. The installation service for new members was held on Tuesday, June 3 at the Piedmont Club.

ABWA is a contributor to funding of bowling events sponsored by Piedmont Nursing Group. These bowling events will begin Saturday, June 14, from 11 a.m. – 2 p.m. at Creekside Lanes. The group meets every first Tuesday of each month for a dinner meeting at 5:45 at the Piedmont Club, located in the BB&T Bank Building on Second Street.

For additional information, contact Sandra Kay Lawson-Crump at 336-978-0345.

#### Tabor alum completes Air Force basic training

Air Force Airman Ryan M. Cheatwood has graduated from basic military training at Lackland Air Force Base, San Antonio, Texas.

During the six weeks of training, the airman studied the Air Force mission, organization, and military customs and courtesies; performed drill and ceremony marches, and received physical training, rifle marksmanship, field training exercises, and special

training in human relations.



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ate degree through the Community College of the Air Force.

He is the son of Voyce and Donna Cheatwood of Winston-Salem. Cheatwood is a 2005 graduate of Mount Tabor High School.

#### Vigil planned for man murdered a year ago

Vigils for Healing will hold a vigil in remembrance of Larry Darnell France Jr., who was just 40 when he was murdered a year ago. It will be Tuesday at 6 p.m.

The vigil will be held in front of Mt. Carmel Missionary Baptist Church, 3230 Heitman Dr. in Easton. The location is near the site where France was found fatally shot outside of a home in the 1000 block of Louise Road on June 17, 2007. He lived a few blocks away on Crowder Street. Shortly after the murder, Winston-Salem police arrested two men, both were 20-years-old at the time.

The vigil officiants will be Kymberly Hoffman, a Hood Theological Seminary Graduate Student and Winston-Salem State University academic advisor, and the Rev. Jo Bjorling, of the Family Ministries Resource Team of the Pilot Mountain Baptist Association.

Vigils for Healing is an interfaith community ministry comprised of volunteer clergy and laity

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