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D.D. Adams, right, enjoys the music while campaigning at a recent Summer on Trade concert.

Malloy gives his support to D.D. Adams

Other Democratic challengers unfazed

BY TODD LUCK
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City Council Member Nelson Malloy is throwing his support behind Denise "D.D." Adams, one of three Democrats running to succeed him as the next North Ward representative

Malloy, after serving five terms, decided not to run for re-election, opting to focus on his health (he has been wheelchair-bound for more than 20 years) and to let someone new bring fresh energy to the seat. Malloy said he talked to all the candidates and took his time before deciding who to endorse. He says that Adams is best suited for the job.



Carter



Patterson

ing the citizens to the best of her knowledge and her ability," said Malloy.

He said he believed Adams would consult her constituents before making decisions. He also likes her longtime community involvement, which has included work with the East Winston CDC and a long stint on the Housing Authority of Winston-Salem Board of Commissioners. Adams has been very active with the local Democratic Party. She represented the county at the 2008 Democratic National Convention.

Behind the scenes, Adams has also worked to elect many Democrats, including Malloy. She served as his campaign manager for his first re-election bid. She and Malloy also served as members of Citizens United for Justice, which successfully advocated

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The Complexity of Gender

Local transgender residents set to speak out at forum

BY LAYLA FARMER
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Twenty year-old Natasha Moore was born Joel Moore - a boy. Yet, from her earliest childhood recollections, Moore says she identified more with the feelings and experiences of a female.

"I've always felt I was a woman," commented Moore, a junior at North Carolina A&T State University. "I was five years-old when I realized I wanted to be a girl."

Moore is not alone. She belongs to the transgender community - people who feel



Natasha Moore (left) was born male, and Ethan Hutchinson was born a female.



that their biological gender is unique group, and the challenges they face in today's society, will be explored in a forum, titled "The

Experiences of this

Transgender Experience: Manifestation of the Inner Being," at Winston-Salem State University's Anderson Center on Friday, Sept. 18.

"The Transgender Experience" is hosted by the school's Gay-Straight Student Alliance (GSSA) and sponsored by the Winston-Salem branch of PFLAG (Parents, Friends and Family of Lesbians and Gays).

"I think transgender people are probably one of the least understood groups in the LGBT (lesbian, gay, bisexual

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Photos by Layla Farmer

Bishop Sheldon McCarter gives the Word as his wife, Co-Pastor Joyce McCarter, cheers him on.

Below: Noonday attendees stand to their feet in praise.

A Spirited Return

Healthy-sized crowd welcomes back Greater Cleveland's Noonday Service

BY LAYLA FARMER
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Greater Cleveland Avenue Christian Church revived a popular tradition on Sept. 2, with the return of its Wednesday Noonday Service.

The service, which is designed to provide an alternative to traditional worship services for those who have scheduling conflicts, was a mainstay at Greater Cleveland for 10 years before the church ended it in 2006.

"I was really thinking about people doing something in the lunch hour, especially for those who work who couldn't make it for the (Wednesday) night services," said Bishop Sheldon McCarter, who has been

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ROAD WARRIORS

WSSU Photo by Sharrol Patterson

Sgt. Norris Gullick (left) and Norman Johnson of the Winston-Salem State University Public Safety team patrol the campus on Segway PTs. The two-wheeled, upstanding vehicles have become a popular mode of travel among people around the world since they debuted in 2002.



DA's comments about blacks and crime draw ire

BY LAYLA FARMER
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A collection of mostly white clergy leaders and community members are calling for the resignation of Forsyth County District Attorney Tom Keith after a popular Triad publication quoted the DA making statements that appear to convey that Keith believes blacks are, by nature, more prone to commit crimes.

In an Aug. 26 *Yes! Weekly* article by Keith Barber, the DA is quoted as saying, "If you're African American, you're six, seven or eight times more likely to have a violent history. I didn't go out there and put a gun in your hand and say, 'You commit eight crimes, and I'm a white man, I'll commit one,' that's just instincts. That's just how it is."

The statement was made during an inter-

view about Keith's opposition to the passage of the Racial Justice Act, which allows death penalty defendants to have their cases reviewed if they believe race was a determining factor in their reception of the death penalty.

Keith's remarks sparked a firestorm of indignation. Four days after the article was published, the Rev. John Mendez, pastor of Emmanuel Baptist Church and a long-time community activist, laid into Keith from the pulpit, telling his flock that it was time for the DA to go. The Rev. Steve Boyd, chair of the Religion Department at Wake Forest University, echoed those sentiments this week. Boyd and a group of other religious leader called for Keith's resignation Tuesday afternoon during a news conference.

"There are probably a lot of reasons for the crime statistics that we have," said Boyd, who

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Keith

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