

# COMMUNITY REMEMBERS FORMER HAPPY HILL RESIDENT AND NURSE

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Ruby Hazeline Gilliam Anderson Pervis, one of the matriarchs of the historic Happy Hill community, passed away on Nov. 18. She was 99. Her funeral was on Saturday, Nov. 21 at the Saint Andrews United Methodist Church.

She was the last survivor of 10 children, born to Cora Jarvis Gilliam and Anthony Scorefield Gilliam on July 1, 1910 in the town of Shoals in Surry County.

She moved to Liberia Street in Happy Hill when she was 11. She loved telling about life on "The Hill" - about the big corn shuckings; the family getting the first telephone in the community; the streets finally being paved; and about being baptized in Salem Creek.

Pervis graduated from Columbia Heights High School and then attended L. Richardson School of Nursing in Greensboro, where she graduated valedictorian in 1933. Over the decades, she worked as a nurse at Springwood Care Center, for Drs. Crowell, Jordan and Quick in their office on Church Street; and at Kate Biting Reynolds Hospital, where she served as head nurse in the Emergency Room until her retirement in 1970.

She was also an active church and community volunteer and even taught a nursing class at Atkins High School.

She married twice - first to George Anderson and then to Daniel Pervis in 1948. She had no children of her own, but encouraged education and mentored many young people.

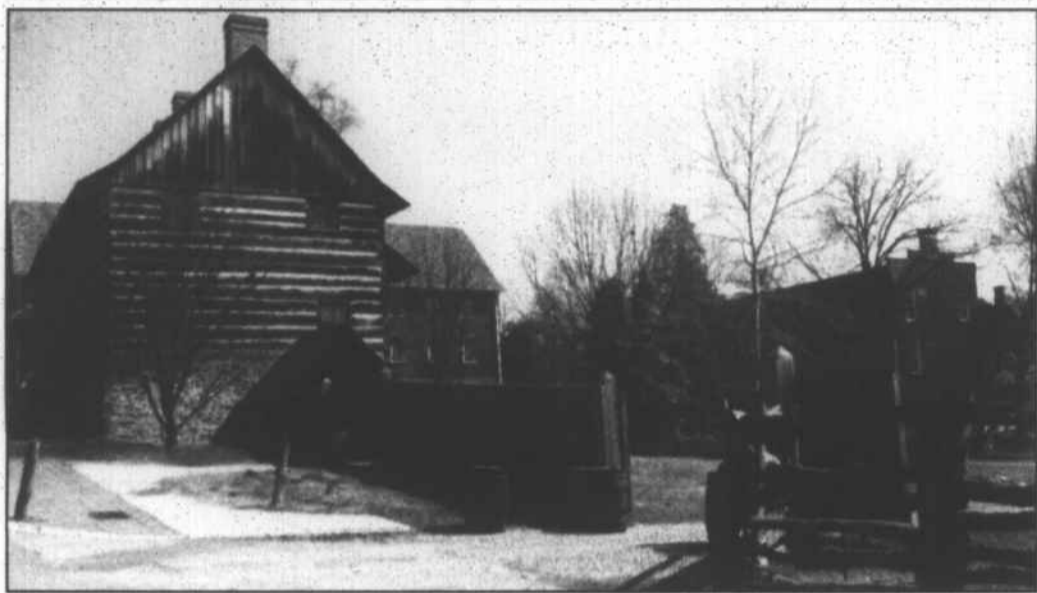
In 1992, "Ms. Ruby" became a resident at The Oaks at Forsyth, where she was visited often by the many people whose lives she had touched. Just last year, Pervis was elated when she cast her vote for Barack Obama.



Ruby Hazeline Gilliam Anderson Pervis

and in May, she was crowned "queen" at the Oaks' prom.

Left to cherish her historical recollections are a devoted niece (surrogate daughter) Maurice Pitts Johnson; nieces, Ruth Speas, Mildred Spann, Awilda (Robert) Neal, Ruth Gilliam Leigh, Lucy Gilliam Smith, Clara Gilliam Nicholson; nephews, Ezra (Marion) Gilliam and Calvin Gilliam; great nieces Geraldine Clayton, Dorothy Draper and Krista Neal; great nephew, Alvin (Janet) Gibson and an especially dedicated great nephew, Grant Nathaniel (Jelaine) Gilliam.



Old Salem events will celebrate the season on Dec. 19.

## Christmastime at Old Salem to feature traditional favorites

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Old Salem Museums & Gardens will present an old fashioned Christmas on Saturday, Dec. 19 with a day of seasonal festivities, crafts and food for all ages. The event will begin at 9:30 a.m. with myriad activities at the many historic buildings and sites at Old Salem. There will be carol singing, candlemaking, leatherwork demonstrations, gun-

smithing and blacksmithing.

All visitors will enjoy baking Christmas cakes to the sounds of the pianoforte in the Vogler House. Children will especially love sampling candy from the Vierling House's apothecary, and partaking in historic games and wagon rides in Salem Square. A special puppet show, "Sophie & the Gingercakes," will take place in the Single Brothers' Workshop. Visitors will also

have a chance to have their photo taken with St. Nicholas.

To cap off the day, there will be carol singing and a giant lighted Christmas tree, modeled after the traditional Moravian decoration.

For schedules, pricing or more information, call the Visitor Center at 336-721-7350 or go to [www.old-salem.org](http://www.old-salem.org).

## ESR named a stimulus funds partner agency

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The Experiment in Self-Reliance (ESR) has been designated by the North Carolina Office of Economic Opportunity (OEO) as the distribution entity for all Community Service Block Grant (CSBG) funding coming to Winston-Salem/Forsyth County from the federal economic stimulus package. ESR is a United Way agency with a 45-year history of assisting working low-income and homeless families to become more economically self-reliant.



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ESR will work with the Employment Security Commission, Consumer Credit Counseling, Forsyth Tech, Goodwill Industries and Workforce Development/Joblink.

"We at ESR are gratified to have this confidence placed in our agency to assist the com-

munity - as we have throughout our existence - with economic challenges, and hopefully have a beneficial effect on people in need among us during this historic downturn in our economy," said ESR Executive Director Twana Wellman-Roebuck.

**Happy Birthday**  
**Daryl Dion (Pooh) Boyd**  
December 8, 1975- August 25, 2008

Although one year has passed we still hold you close and dear in our hearts.

Loving and Missing You,  
Ma & Daddy  
Derric Duan, Angel  
Your kids  
Daryl & Diamond  
Nieces: Cinnamon, Keisha, Ashley, Nikki and nephews, Ahman, Nick, Kedrick  
Also from the Hatchetts & Boyd Family

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## Billboard Contest!



Help the Forsyth County Complete Count Committee spread the word about the 2010 Census and your creativity may be seen by thousands. The committee is sponsoring a billboard contest to promote participation in the census. The winning design will be posted on Business 40 West from March 8 through April 4, courtesy of Fairway Outdoor Advertising of the Triad. Complete rules and entry forms at [www.CityofWS.org/Planning](http://www.CityofWS.org/Planning)

## 'Tis better to recycle...

The holidays bring the single greatest opportunity for recycling all year. Twenty-five percent more trash is thrown away between Thanksgiving and New Year's than any other time of the year!

An extra million tons of waste are generated nationwide each week during the holiday season. For tips on how to keep the holidays green, go to [www.CityofWS.org/Recycling](http://www.CityofWS.org/Recycling).



## Unique Gifts

This holiday season, head to the Cricket's Nest for unique hand-crafted presents. The shop - the outlet for the Cricket Craftsmen crafts guild - is stocked with everything Christmas - tree ornaments, wreaths, candles, table linens, stained glass, Christmas quilts, nativity scenes and more. The shop is at 4401 Country Club Road and is open 10 a.m. - 4 p.m. Monday through Saturday and on Thursday, 10 a.m. - 6 p.m. For more information call 659-4315.



## Don't Get Left Holding The Bag

Sanitation collections are changing on Christmas and New Year's Day. Garbage collections for both days will be postponed until the following Monday. Curbside recycling collections on both days will be held the next day (Saturday). Yard-waste cart collections will not be affected.

## City Of Winston-Salem University

Get a better understanding of the hows and whys of city government. Apply for City of Winston-Salem University. Classes are held Thursday evenings Jan. 28 through April 15. Applications are due Dec. 31. For an application and more information, go to [www.CityofWS.org](http://www.CityofWS.org).



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