

BY LAYLA FARMER THE CHRONICLE

Center is poised to become one of the first jails in the state to offer around the clock HIV testing to all inmates

during in-take processing, HIV, Patrice Toney said. Toney, the Forsyth County Health Department's STD Prevention Specialist, spoke to supporters and other Health Department staffers

last Thursday at a gathering of the POSSE (Preventing the Ongoing Spread of STDs Everywhere)

Advisory Council at the Piedmont Club.

Toney

"We try to do something yearly to bring together our partners and update them on new initiatives that we're doing and how they can continue to support our outreach efforts," Toney said of the

luncheon. "This year, one of our main objectives has been the jail." POSSE secured a grant from the

The Forsyth County Detention North Carolina Department of Health and Human Services earlier this year. It plans to use the funds to secure Correct Care Solutions, an independent health services administrator, to staff the jail with nurses to provide HIV testing to all incoming inmates who choose to be tested.

The new jail screening program, which organizers hope to launch in mid-September, was one of several topics discussed during the luncheon, which was centered around the impact of jail health

on HIV prevention in the community. "It used to be that people only got HIV testing if they requested it or if they were recommended for it ... now, every-

See Testing on A9 Expanded testing will be offered at the jail.

Carver secures its place in history

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Eighty-eight year-old Sarah Friende Hamlin remembers a day when the "Carver Nation" consisted of two small classrooms. The school had "no library, no microscopes, no nothing," as she puts it, yet Hamlin, the valedictorian of Carver High School's first graduating class in 1939, said the Yellowjacket pride was every bit as strong then as it is today.





Scouts look to increase diversity

Only about 600 area scouts are minorities

BY TODD LUCK THE CHRONICLE

Leaders of the Old Hickory Council of the Boy Scouts of America, which includes Forsyth and several surrounding counties, spent time last week discussing ways to bring more minority youngsters into scouting. D e



Tan Nguyen. t e a m leader of nulticul tural markets for Boy Scouts of America. was also part of

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"We had the privilege of being seniors for three years, so we felt like the school was

ours," Hamlin said of the 18 students who graduated in the inaugural class.

Hamlin was one of the many proud Carver High School alumni who were on hand at the school on Tuesday morning to celebrate the school's Founder's Day. To mark the occasion, a historic marker was unveiled in front of the school, denoting its long and very proud legacy.

"In another lifetime, (when I worked as) a yearbook rep. I used to

walk through the doors at Carver Principal Nathan Barber, (rear, far left) Mayor Allen Joines, School Board member Geneva Brown, Superintendent Don Martin (rear), Carver Class of 1939 members Katherine Durant Hunter and Sarah Friende See Carver on A12 Hamlin and Mayor Pro Tempore Vivian Burke help unveil the marker on Tuesday.

the discussion, which took place last Thursday at the Delta Arts Center. Nguyen works to increase the involvement of minorities and "under-served" populations in the 297 Boy Scout councils across the nation.

"(For) scouting, there's still a perception that it is white, middle class," said Nguyen. "The overall objective of what we're trying to do with this Council, as well as any other council around the country, is to get our volunteer rank and membership rank to reflect the demographics of the community."

The Delta Arts Center See Scouts on A5



Sharee Frazier holds her sons Saronye (left) and Shane.

A House and a Home

Shelter for women praised for providing family atmosphere

BY LAYLA FARMER THE CHRONICLE

Sharee Frazier is homeless, unemployed and single-handedly caring for her two infant sons - 15month-old, Saronye, and six-weekold Shane

Yet. Frazier is all smiles as she busies herself with yet another dirty diaper. She says she's got something that helps her to see beyond her current hardships - it's called hope. And for the first time in recent memory, Frazier, 32, a recovering drug addict and mother

of five, is daring to dream. She gives credit to De'Asja's House, a program that has helped an increasing number of women like Frazier to get back on their feet.

'This program gives you the fuel to blast off to a fulfilling future. It gives you the ambition to want to be something," said Frazier, who hopes to one day earn a nursing degree. "I'm looking at the big picture, finally. That's what they do - they help you see the big picture.

At De'Asja's House, the place

See De'Asja's on All



Konnoak Elementary School Teacher Eileen Hall embraces Tywan Davis on Tuesday as faculty and staff from the school visit students at their homes. To read more about it, see page B1.

