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Photo by Layla Farmer

Simran Sethi addresses the audience at WFU.

## DUMPING ON POOR FOLKS

Symposium: environmental racism is alive and well

BY LAYLA FARMER THE CHRONICLE

When it comes to 'going green,' not all communities are created equal in the eyes of lawmakers, according to Emmy Award-winning Journalist Simran Sethi.

Some communities - those that tend to have a high minority populace and a low median income - have been targeted over the years by the powers that be as prime locations for toxic waste landfills, Sethi said.

Sethi, the founding host and writer of Sundance Channel's environmental program, "The Green," and creator of the Sundance Channel's online series "The Good Fight," has appeared on several nationally-syndicated television shows, from "The Oprah Winfrey Show" to "Nightly News with Brian Williams" and "The Today Show," promoting her message of environmental justice.

She joined Julianne Malveaux, president of Bennett College for Women and a renown speaker, activist and economist, at Wake Forest University last week for the symposium "My Neighborhood is Killing Me: Environmental Racism

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# 20 Years and Countless Successes

Service Corps celebrates landmark anniversary

BY LAYLA FARMER THE CHRONICLE

If someone had told James Fuller 20 years ago that he would become an entrepreneur, he never would have believed it. A teen father who had already faced drug charges,



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Fuller says his future didn't look too bright. But then he found the Service Corps. Founded under the City of Winston-Salem in 1990, the organization provides mentoring, education, job training and job placement services for young adults ages 17-30, who sign up for a one-year work commitment. Fuller says his mother encouraged him and his brother, Johnny, to enroll.

"My mom was a single parent and trying to get her kids into something positive," Fuller said, "and it turned out to be a success."



Photo by Layla Farmer

James Fuller with his girlfriend, Christina Stewart, and their three week-old daughter, Gianni.

The 40-year-old now splits his time between working as a painting supervisor for the City of Winston-Salem, a job he has held for the last 14 years, and running his own com-

pany, Fuller's Paint and Decorating, which he launched seven years ago.

"I just thank God for the success that I have conquered because I would have never thought that I

would be on anybody's job for 14 years," related the father of four.

"...I just want to show my kids that

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## NAACP office target of likely copper thieves

BY LAYLA FARMER THE CHRONICLE

The Winston-Salem Chapter of the NAACP suffered an unexpected blow in the wee hours of Nov. 9.

The Chapter's headquarters on Oak Ridge Drive were flooded when someone severed the copper pipes that attached the building's water heater to the city water main.

A resident in the Northampton neighborhood saw water pouring from the building Tuesday morning and alerted the authorities, according to the police report. Both the police and the fire department responded.

By the time Chapter President Jimmy Boyd arrived on the scene around 9 a.m., the water accumulated on the floor was ankle deep.

A closer inspection of the building revealed that the water that rushed onto the organization's front lawn was the least of its problems. In the external closet where



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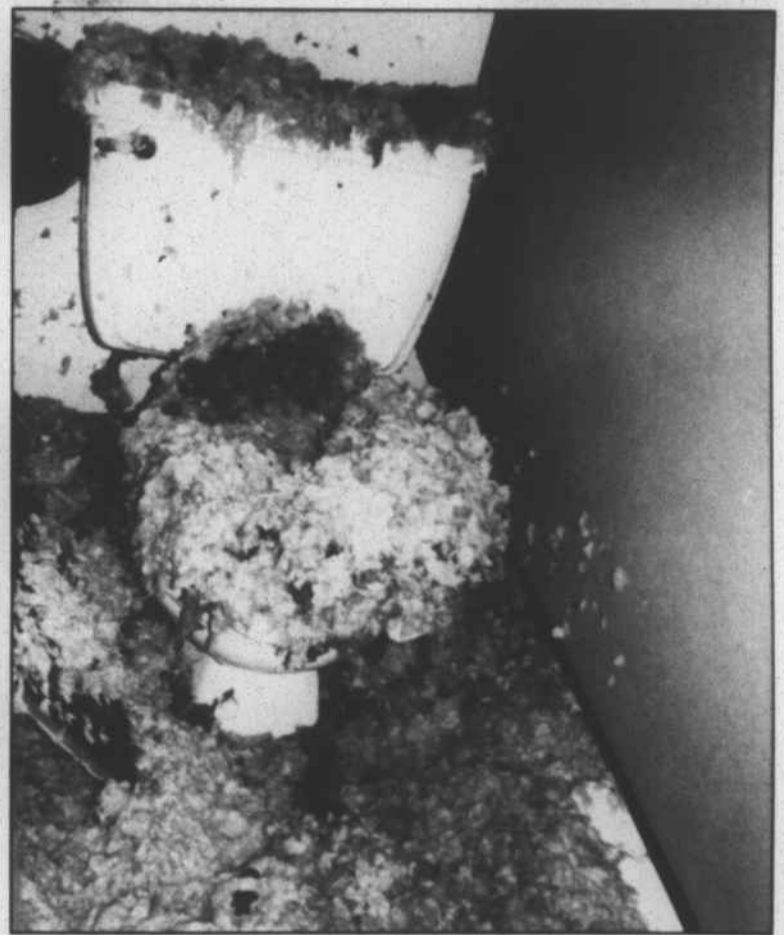


Photo by Layla Farmer

Water damage caused the ceiling inside the women's bathroom at the NAACP Enrichment Center to collapse.

### POETIC PAUSE



Photo by Layla Farmer

English and journalism teacher Tonya Allen-Clements reads Maya Angelou's famous poem "Still I Rise" Tuesday during an appreciation celebration for Parkland teachers. See the full story on A10.

## Success is family tradition for author

BY LAYLA FARMER THE CHRONICLE

For some, the path to finding their life's purpose is straight and well defined from the very beginning. For Daryl Sturgis, that path has been more like a roller coaster, with twists and turns, Sturgis says he has enjoyed the trip. His resume has the diversity of a spring bouquet, with stints in everything from janitorial service to retail, the nonprofit sector, Wall Street and even improv. However, in recent years Sturgis, 45, has set his sights on a passion he has held for nearly as long as he can remember: writing.

Sturgis, a Winston-Salem native who has lived in New York City for the last two decades, plans to release "The Goddess of Light," the second installment in his



Submitted Photo

See Sturgis on A9 Daryl Sturgis poses during a book release party in NYC.

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