



Youth United members (Front row, from left): Candace Mulherin, Grace Carter, Turner Myers, Alex Rickabaugh, Jessica Speer, Danielle Cantrell, Ayana Southerland, Courtney Cash (back row) Jay Cavanaugh, Morgan Mikkola, Ben Cowgill, Chris Healy, Chris Cuthrell and Harrison Toohey.

Habitat youth group wins national award

SPECIAL TO THE CHRONICLE

The Youth United group of Habitat for Humanity of Forsyth County recently received the 2012 Build Louder Award from Habitat for Humanity International. The group was honored for its advocacy efforts to educate the public and lawmakers about the need for quality, affordable housing.

Habitat Forsyth's Youth United group is made up of students from local middle and high schools who raise money for, and participate in the building of, a Habitat house each year.

During the 2011-2012 school year, the group, led by former youth programs coordinator Claire Wisely, sent hundreds of house-shaped paper mailers with messages about the problem of poverty housing to state elected officials. Some of the paper houses were signed by people who attended a pancake supper fund

raiser that the group held in Winston-Salem.

The students also created a visual display, using soda can tabs glued to wood, to demonstrate that one of every three people in the world lives in poverty housing. The display was placed in public areas to raise awareness about poverty and Habitat's mission in Forsyth County.

The Forsyth County group received one of only two Build Louder awards given this year at a national Habitat youth conference in Peachtree City, Ga. The other was received by the Habitat campus chapter of Villanova University, which regularly sends a group of students to work on Forsyth County Habitat projects through the Collegiate Challenge program.

Accepting the award on behalf of Habitat Forsyth were Molly Williams, current youth programs coordinator, and Youth United members Ben Cowgill and Alex Rickabaugh.



Old Richmond's original 1896 two-room school house still stands on the campus.

Photos by Todd Luck

Veterans

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freedom. They have protected those rights all over the world. They have endured hardships that many of us couldn't imagine so we could all enjoy freedom."

Students had a few things to say too. The recorded voices of students played as a slide show was shown depicting the service of local veterans. The presentation was gleaned from reports students were assigned. Some of the students chose to profile veterans in their own families or other people they know.

Thomas DeLoach did his report on his neighbor, John Whitley, a Navy veteran who served as a chef on a destroyer escort in the Pacific during World War II. Thomas said the project gave him a greater appreciation of veterans.

"They help our country have freedom, and they protect our country," he said.

The program ended with two musical numbers. For the first, groups of students performed the official songs for each branch of Armed Forces. When they sang "Anchors Aweigh," the Navy vets in the crowd stood; Thompson and other Air Force vets rose as they sang the famous opening line of the "Air Force Song;" "Off we go into the wild blue yonder." Army and Marine vets also rose when their themes were performed.

The final number began with two first graders, Eryn Johnson

and Grayson Bacon, singing "God Bless America." Suddenly during the song the entire school, led by Moore, joined in, with each of the students in the crowd waving a small American flag that they had been patiently holding the entire time.

Adams told the students that he and his fellow veterans were touched by all that they'd seen.

"I don't care who you are, if that didn't move you, you can't be moved,"

said Adams.

Old Richmond, which was founded in 1896 in a two room schoolhouse that still stands on its campus, involves its students in a number of community-minded activities throughout the year. The school has recycling initiatives and holds a Science Night to raise money for the Humane Society. It is also a 2011-2012 School of Distinction, meaning 80 percent or more of its students are performing at or above grade level.



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Transportation planners are also seeking comments on the Draft Air Quality Conformity Determination Report.

You can review the documents and meet with staff at these locations:

- Nov. 17, 8 to 10 a.m., Dale Classic Fabrics/Furners' Market 27th and 28th streets, Winston-Salem
- Nov. 19, 4 to 6 p.m., Miller Park Community Center 400 Leisure Lane, Winston-Salem
- Nov. 20, 6 to 7 p.m., Clemmons Village Hall 3715 Clemmons Rd., Clemmons
- Nov. 26, 4 to 6 p.m., Hanes History Community Center 501 Reynolds Blvd., Winston-Salem
- Nov. 27, 10 a.m. to 3 p.m., Stuart Municipal Building 100 E. First St., Winston-Salem
- Nov. 28, 10 a.m. to 3 p.m., Forsyth County Public Health Dept. 799 N. Highland Ave., Winston-Salem*
- Nov. 29, 3 to 6 p.m., Clark Campbell Trans. Center 100 W. Fifth St., Winston-Salem*
- Dec. 1, 11 a.m. to 4 p.m., Hanes Mall 3320 Silas Creek Pkwy, Winston-Salem*
- Dec. 4, 10 a.m. to 1 p.m., Forsyth Co. Gov. Center 201 N. Chestnut St., Winston-Salem
- Dec. 8, 11 a.m. to 4 p.m., Marketplace Mall 2101 Peters Creek Pkwy, Winston-Salem*
- Dec. 10, 7 p.m., Presentations to Kernersville Planning Board 134 E. Mountain St., Kernersville and Rural Hall Town Council, 423 Bethania Rural Hall Rd., Rural Hall
- Dec. 13, Meeting begins at 4:30 p.m. Presentation to City-County Planning Board, 5th Floor Meeting Room, Stuart Municipal Bldg.

*Spanish language translation available at these meetings.

Drafts are available online at www.DOT.CityofWS.org, and copies will be placed Nov. 15 through Dec. 21 at all town halls and public libraries in the urban area; at the N.C. Dept. of Transportation offices, 375 Silas Creek Pkwy; and at Suite 307 in the Stuart Municipal Building.

Give your thoughts directly to DOT staff or send your comments by Dec. 21 by mail to Fred Frith, Winston-Salem Dept. of Transportation, P.O. Box 2511, Winston-Salem, NC 27102; by fax to (336) 748-3370; or by e-mail to fredfrith@cityofws.org.

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