



Carver High School graduates.



Jacket Integrated Academy grads.

Graduation includes honors for alumni

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Carver High School and Jacket Integrated Academy graduated on June 8. The two schools graduated 160 students, many of whom have been accepted to college or into the armed forces.

Rev. James E. Cook, senior pastor of St. Stephen Missionary Baptist Church, gave the keynote address, telling the graduates that it's their responsibility to become what God has destined them to become.



Pastor James Cook speaks.

"It's good to have your high school diploma," he said. "It's an accomplishment to walk across this stage today and receive a high school diploma. But you are just beginning. God has a unique plan for each of you, you're just beginning."

Shareef Holston, Carver's valedictorian, and Asha Piggott, valedictorian of Jacket Integrated Academy, also spoke.

"I'm proud to be Carver High School Yellow Jacket," Holston said. "Regardless of the superficial ideas and beliefs of some in the community about former and current Carver students, we have achieved what others think is impossible."

Piggott said, "We came to this place together to learn, grow and share. We now pause to celebrate. Time and space may

separate us, but no matter where our pathways take us, we will always be the Jacket Integrated Academy Class of 2013."

In addition to honoring the graduates, Principal Ronald Travis saluted two Carver High School alumni. Dr. Dionne P. Galloway, class of 1994, and Mr. Darron Wilks, class of 1997, were both honored as Alumni of the Year.

Upon graduating from Carver High School, Dr. Galloway attended the University of North Carolina at Chapel Hill as a Morehead Scholar. She is currently a practicing OB/GYN in Eden.

Wilks entered the business sector upon graduating and has established himself as an entrepreneur. He is the owner of Happy Plates Catering, A-Yo Bail Bonding and All Star Bail Bonding Companies.



Submitted Photos

Shareef Holston (right) poses with Asha Piggott after the recent ceremony.

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on Saturday, June 22 from 9 a.m. - noon at Hanes Mall in the outer parking lot of Belk on the Stratford Rd. side of the Mall. Personal and private documents may be dropped off for professional, secure shredding. There is no set fee, but donations are welcome and appreciated. Call Don Timmons at 336-403-1964 for more information.

Jazz fundraiser
Family Blueprints' After Work "Wine Down" & Jazz Social featuring Soulstice 7th will be on Thursday, June 27 from 7-10 p.m. at One West Fourth Street, 12th floor. Tickets are \$20 per person and include heavy hors d'oeuvres and beverages. Proceeds from this event will help support My Brother's Keeper pregnancy prevention and positive youth development program for adolescent males. To purchase tickets or for more information about Family Blueprints, call Katisha Blackwell at 336-505-8231 or email her at kblackwell@familyblueprintsofnc.org. To visit the web site, go to www.familyblueprintsofnc.org.

Cemetery clean-up
The Happy Hill Cemetery Friends will host a beautification of the grounds on Saturday, June 29 from 9-11 a.m. onsite at Pitts and Willow Streets in the Happy Hill Community. The public is invited to participate. Bring your own chainsaws, rakes, clippers, gloves and other outdoor tools. Call Maurice Pitts Johnson at 336-721-1081 or 336-978-2866 for more information.

Omeegas health event
A community health initiative sponsored by the Psi Phi Chapter of Omega Psi Phi Fraternity,

Inc. will take place on Saturday, June 29 from 10 a.m. - 3 p.m. at The Omega Friendship Center, 2336 Patterson Avenue. The Twin City Medical Society and the Winston Lake Family YMCA will participate. Topics of informal discussion include prostate health, women's health, yoga, elder care and cardiovascular disease. The public is invited to attend. Call Kenny Faulkner at 336-978-0489 for more information.

Anderson Fundraiser
The Anderson High School Alumni Association will host a Flapjack Fundraiser on Saturday, June 29 from 8-11 a.m. at Applebee's, 4690 N. Patterson Ave. Call Judith Buford at 336-997-8430, Theodis Foster at 336-978-3517 or James McCants at 336-771-9946 to purchase tickets.

East alumni get-together
East Forsyth classes of '74, '75 and '76 will host a get-together at Triad Park's Woodland Hall on Saturday, Sept. 28 from 7-10:30 p.m. Admission is \$40 per person. The deadline for payment is Sunday, June 30 and should be mailed to Michelle Ward '74, 2008 Old Hollow Rd., Walkertown, NC 27051-9709. For more information, call Thomas (Cisco) Morgan '75 at 336-577-5103 or Michelle Ward at 336-595-2316.

Atkins Reunion
The Atkins High School class of '68 will celebrate its 45th Class Reunion from Friday, July 5 - Sunday, July 7. For more information, call a member of the Program Committee: Haretta Johnson Duncan, 336-409-3191; Edison Carter, 336-692-2311; Annie Sims Howard, 336-723-5796 or Carlyle McClinton, 336-918-9402.

Shalom fundraiser
The Shalom Project

will host its annual ice cream social fundraiser, "The Big Chill," in celebration of National Ice Cream Day on Sunday, July 21 at Grace Court Park, 931 West 4th St., from 3-6 p.m. Admission is \$5 per adult, \$10 per family of 4 and \$3 per child. There will be music, homemade ice cream, children's games and local celebrities. Funds raised go to The Shalom Project, which provides a free medical clinic, a clothing closet, a food pantry and weekly community meals to West Salem residents.

Lupus support group meeting
The support group of the Lupus Foundation of America, NC Chapter (LFANC) will host its monthly meeting on Sunday, July 28 from 2:30-4 p.m. in the Activity Building of Highland Presbyterian Church, 2380 Cloverdale Ave. This group is for those living with lupus, their loved ones and caregivers. The meetings are free. Drop-ins are welcome. Email the LFANC at patientservices@lupuslink.org, call 877-849-8271, ext. 2 or visit www.lupusnc.org for more information.

Atlanta trip
The Funtime Group is sponsoring a one-day trip to Atlanta on Saturday, Aug. 17 to see the Bonner Brothers Hair Show, tour the largest aquarium or tour the Underground shopping site. Call 336-767-0105 for details.

NC NAACP convention
The 70th Annual NC NAACP State Convention will be in Rocky Mount from Thursday, Oct. 10 - Saturday, Oct. 12. This year's theme is "Forward Together... Not One Step Back!" Save the dates. Details are forthcoming. For more information, visit www.naacpcnc.org or call 1-866-NCNAACP or 919-682-4700.

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