

Art Blevins (third from right) poses with honorees (from left) Mo Lucas, Danny Harnden, Laymar Marshall, John Justus and Guy Morgan.

## Hundreds attend b-ball showcase

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The 24th Annual Hang the Net & Slam Dunk Contest was held July 24 at Hanes Hosiery Community Center.

More than 600 people were in attendance. In addition to the basketball action, the crowd was treated to a performance by the Mo Lucas Step & Drum Team.

Hang the Net Creator Hanes Hosiery Director Art Blevins presented several awards. Mo Lucas, a legendary mentor; Wake Forest former University Sports Information Director John Justus; Mt. Tabor Football Coach Laymar Marshall; former WFU basketball star Guy Morgan; former WFU baseball star Joel Weston; former Canadian basketball league star Michael "Pop Bottle" Thomas; and Fox 8 sports reporter Danny Harnden received Living Legend Awards.

Competitors went headto-head in several categories. Former WFU star Willie Griffin finished first in the Legends division. He was followed by former Anderson High star Bob Wilson, "Pop Bottle" Thomas, former Reynolds High star Bernard



Coach Blevins (center) with (from left) Ari Stewart, Mike Grace, Coron Williams and CJ Harris.

Roseboro, former N.C. Central star T. Ball and Hanes Hosiery legend Sam McIlwain, respectively.

In the College/Pro division, former WFU standout CJ Harris finished on top. He was followed Yale's Mike Grace, the Josh Foundation's Howard Steve Nivens, WFU's Williams and Coron

Southern Cal's Ari Stewart. In the Celebrity Shootout, Fox 8's Harden finished first. He was followed by Winston-Salem State Head Basketball Coach James Wilhelmi, Winston-Salem Journal Reporter John Dell, WXII

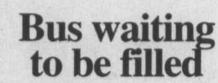
Anchor Cameron Kent and Greg "Catman" Good, the Carolina Panthers' Super

Isiah Huffin won the Slam Dunk Contest. The other top finishers were: Reggie Grey, Andra King and Garren Loyd.

This year's sponsors were DTLR fashions, Jamie Wilkes, Papa John's Pizza, Top Priority Care Services, LLC, Page's Printing. Weston Associates, Inc., Chick-fil-Pepsi, Powerade, Omega Sports, Kona Ice and Dr. Diamond.

Blevins said next year's Hang the Net will be the event's silver anniversary and likely his last.

"I will probably retire in a couple of years, after I get my daughter Kayla, who is a junior this year at the University of North Carolina Chapel Hill, through college. It has been a great run and lots of fun. I have been blessed," he said.



SPECIAL TO THE CHRONICLE

The Salvation Army Boys & Girls Clubs are partnering with Krispy Kreme and Mattress Firm for the 2014 "Stuff the Bus" campaign to collect school supplies. The goal is to help ease the financial pressures that many Boys & Girls Club members' parents are experiencing by providing critical school supplies that will help their children begin the school year on a pos-

The community is being asked to help by dropping

off new school supplies at any Krispy Kreme or Mattress Firm location in the Piedmont Triad. The "Stuff the Bus" campaign kicked off on Friday, Aug.

"We see the need every day families come to Salvation Army for help," said Major James Allison, Area Commander for The Salvation Army of Winston-Salem. "It is only then safe to assume that if



parents are unable to pay their rent or utilities that school supplies will be tough to buy. Our hope with the 'Stuff the Bus' campaign is not only to help lessen the financial burden for families, but also give kids the confidence they need to succeed."

To encourage people to donate, Krispy Kreme and Mattress Firm are offering added incentives.

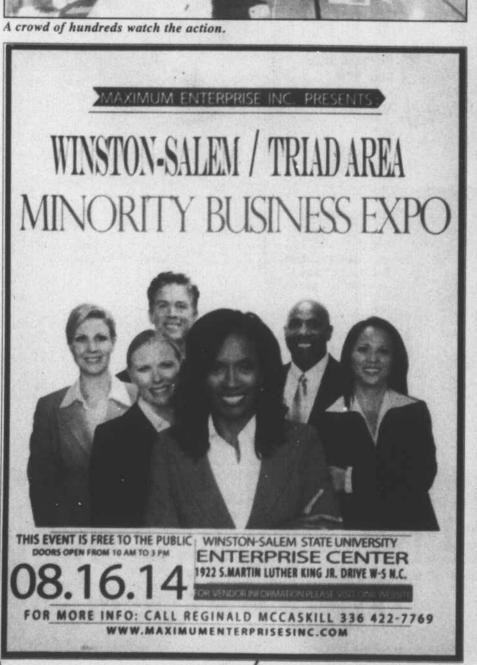
Krispy Kreme will give out a free original glazed doughnut for a donated item like a pack of pencils, paper or crayons; and a free dozen of original glazed doughnuts for the donation of a backpack or more, Donations can be dropped off at any Triad-area Krispy Kreme through Aug. 22. Mattress Firm is offering \$50 off any purchase with the donation of a bag of school supplies. Donations can be dropped off at any Triad-area Mattress Firm through Sept. 1

School supplies of all types are needed, including notebooks, binders, pens, pencils, scissors, hand sanitizer and backpacks. The supplies will be given to The Salvation Army Boys & Girls Club Members whose families are having a tough time purchasing supplies

in the current economy.









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