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Praise is what they do

The Anointed Mime Ministry performs during the 2015 Gospel Fest at the Dixie Classic Fair on Sunday, Oct. 4, during the first phase of Gospel Fest. Sundays' event was accompanied by cloudy skies, rain and wind. The weather is expected to be better for the second phase, which will be Sunday, Oct. 11. See the story on page B5.

Concerns arise in talks on possible W-S Prep move

BY TODD LUCK
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Questions and concerns about the possible move of Winston-Salem Preparatory Academy (WSPA) to Winston-Salem State University (WSSU) where voiced at a meeting Monday night, Oct. 5, in which about 30 people attended.

Superintendent Beverly Emory heard from parents, community members and elected officials during the meeting held in the auditorium of WSPA, which is located on Cameron Avenue in the building of the original Atkins High School.

The building, which was originally built as an African-American high school during segregation, can hold about 900 students. WSPA, a college preparatory magnet high school, which also has a residential middle school, has 450 students.

Emory said that the building's unused capacity was the reason the school system was considering

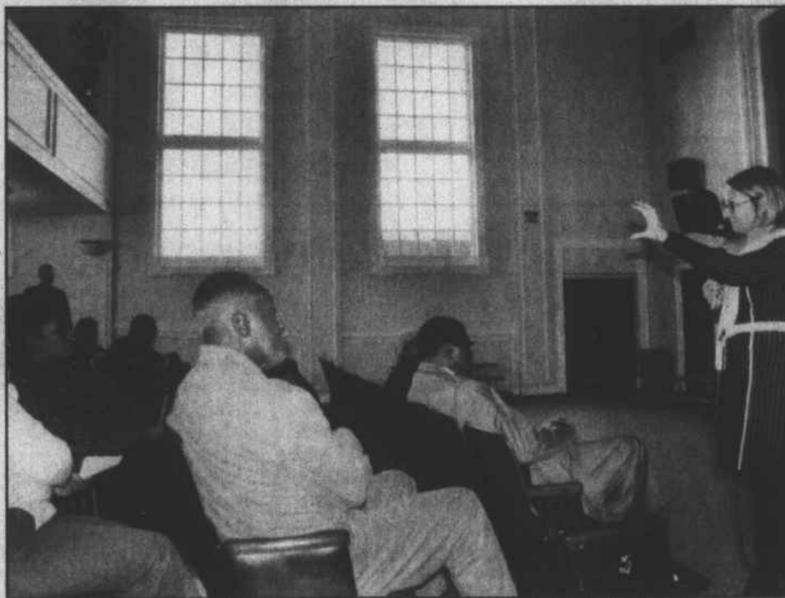


Photo by Todd Luck

Superintendent Beverly Emory speaks to attendees about potentially moving Winston-Salem Preparatory Academy at a meeting held at the school on Monday.

moving WSPA and doing something else with the space there. She's been in talks with WSSU Chancellor Elwood Roberson on bringing Prep to the campus of the histor-

ically black university, which would be part of a potential school bond proposal that'll be on the ballot next year.

"Winston-Salem State is very interested right now

in a possible partnership with us, looking at possibly locating a high school like Prep on their campus, where students would actually earn their high

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N.C. NAACP gather in W-S for reflection, planning

BY TEVIN STINSON
THE CHRONICLE

It has been a very busy year for the Rev. Dr. William J. Barber and the North Carolina NAACP branch. From voting rallies to educational seminars, the state branch has been working hard this year to improve the quality of life of all minorities in the state of North Carolina.

Today (Oct. 8), local NAACP branches from across the state will gather in Winston-Salem for the 72nd annual NAACP State Convention for reflection and planning.

During a recent press conference held outside the Forsyth County Courthouse, Barber announced the theme of this year's convention will be "Pursuing Liberty in the face of Justice."

"This years convention is not just about fellowship but about justice as well," said Barber. "We are going to use this year's convention to layout our plan of attack for those who are trying to tear this country apart."



Photo by Tevin Stinson

Rev. Dr. William J. Barber II answers questions about the 72nd Annual NAACP State Convention during a recent press conference in Winston-Salem, host city of the annual convention.

Mayor Allen Joines said he was delighted to be the host city of the annual convention.

"We welcome Dr. Barber and NAACP members from across the state to our wonderful city," said Joines, "We are just delighted to be chosen as the host city."

The three-day convention will feature a number of educational seminars and guest speakers, including the Rev. Dr. Otis Moss III, who is expected to deliver a powerful address on the opening day of the convention.

Moss is known throughout the nation for his community service and reaching out to inner-city black youth. Moss' address will be part of the Religious Emphasis Day held at Emmanuel Baptist Church.

"We are very excited about our Religious Emphasis Day," said Barber. "We are expecting some very powerful messages from some very powerful people."

Religious Emphasis Day will also feature a number of open panel discussions on religion and a soul food dinner later in the day.

Michelle Laws, executive director of the state NAACP said, this years schedule is the most exciting she has seen.

"This may be one of the most exciting conventions we have had," said Laws. "It has been a big year for the state branch and we believe this years convention will reflect the amazing year we have had so far."

Other noteworthy speakers who will be attending the

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Women's Fund study says more women now in poverty

BY TODD LUCK
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Economic insecurity for local women has grown in the last five years, according to a study by the The Women's Fund of Winston-Salem.

Last week The Women's Fund announced its study, which examined the lives of women in the area. It's a follow up to its 2010 study, "Through a

Gender Economic Women and Forsyth which was the non-what issues women and girls. The Women's Fund is a Winston-Salem Foundation initiative that is fund-



Lens: The Security of Girls in County," done to let profit know faced local women and girls. The Women's Fund is a Winston-Salem Foundation initiative that is fund-

ed by membership fees and awards grants to groups and projects aimed at improving the lives of women. The fund will give out \$110,000 in grants this year during its annual luncheon in November.

The follow-up study did show progress in some areas. The graduation rate for girls increased

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