

**Market**

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neighborhoods and neighborhood level programs,” Regan said.

Regan said she hopes working under the current model, utilizing local farmers and accepting EBT/SNAP payments, they will be able to provide greater market access. “We know there’s demand for consumers but it’s also difficult to take that time out, especially when budgets are tight,” she continued.

“From a consumer pro-



Photo by Tevin Stinson  
All vendors at the Liberty Street Farmers Market grow within a five mile radius of the market located in the heart of the East Winston Community.

spective, we hope having SNAP/EBT will welcome consumer demand. But from my personal opinion, it wasn’t a demand issue so we’re going to give it a go.”

The Liberty Street Farmers Market, 1551 N. Liberty Street, will be open from 4 to 6 p.m. every second and fourth Friday through the end of October. Masks will be required and measures will be put in place to account for social distancing. Free masks will be provided to those who do not have one.

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**Easton**

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toward ensuring equity for every student in the district. She said the fight for students began in 2018 when she started hearing complaints about a mold issue at Ashley Elementary School (Ashley Academy for Cultural & Global Studies) that was causing students and teachers to get sick. “That was just one issue that garnered a lot of community interest and the more I learned about it, the more infuriated I became ... I just felt that the community wasn’t being respected in a way

that was needed to reflect a true democratic process,” Easton said. That same year Action4Equity joined forces with several other local organizations to file a discrimination complaint with the U.S. Department of Education.

The complaint filed alleges that WS/FCS violated Title VI of the Civil Rights Act of 1964 that prohibits discrimination based on race, color or national origin. Less than six months later, the Department of Education agreed to look into the claim.

The Winston-Salem NAACP traditionally holds elections for the

executive committee in November. Only current members in “good standing” are allowed to vote. When asked what the community and the members of the NAACP can expect from her if she is elected president, Easton said they can expect a leader who will work toward real change.

“They can expect for me to develop a collective,” Easton said. “A collective among shared values and based upon that to put pressure on the power structure to create real change for those who are impacted the most.”

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**Drug Treatment Court honors graduates**

BY TEVIN STINSON  
THE CHRONICLE

Last week the Forsyth County Adult Drug Treatment Court held a graduation ceremony to celebrate individuals who have recently completed the course.

The Forsyth County Adult Drug Treatment Court is a supervised pro-

gram to bring the program to the area and the city contributed an additional \$35,000.

During the graduation ceremony held on Friday, Aug. 14, Ashley Vansutphen, Rhonda Kilby, and Samuel Mabe were recognized for completing the program. Each of the graduates was referred to the program by a local

referred Samuel Mabe to the program. He said he was proud of Mabe. “I am very proud of Samuel. He is a very good person who was really struggling. I am thankful that the drug court program was made available to him and that he was able to take advantage of the opportunity.”

Rhonda Kilby was referred by Attorney Erin



Submitted photo

Graduates of the Forsyth County Drug Treatment Court take a picture with their certificates of completion on Friday Aug. 14.

bationary program that provides a comprehensive treatment to address the needs of defendants interested in getting help for their addiction. Participants are tested several times a week and progress is rewarded with incentives. The original program ended in 2011 but thanks to the collaborative efforts of Phoenix Rising, a local nonprofit, and the City of Winston-Salem, it returned in 2017. Phoenix Rising raised \$35,000

defense attorney. Attorney Kerri Sigler, who is the founder of Phoenix Rising, referred Ashley Vansutphen to the program. Sigler applauded Vansutphen for overcoming many obstacles to complete the program. She said, “There is an old saying that just when the caterpillar thought the world was over, she became a butterfly. That’s what happened with Ashley. I am proud of her.”

Attorney Jones Byrd

Woodrum. Woodrum said it was amazing to see how far Kilby has come. “She went from a broken woman in my conference room to an entirely new, strong person and it was amazing to see,” Woodrum said.

Along with helping finance the Drug Treatment Court, Phoenix Rising also facilitates treatment and raises awareness on addiction and drug abuse. For more information, visit www.phoenixrising-winstonsalem.org.

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