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PROM TIME IN GREENSBORO

Several Winston County individuals with special needs enjoyed an evening filled with valuable information, good food and dancing on Saturday, April 21, 2007 at Taylor's Union Hall on Highway 397. The Winston County Self Help Youth Group, Future Generations 4-H Club and The Winston County Self Help Cooperative sponsored this event. The theme for this special evening was "Stepping in The Name of Love."

The walls were adorned with various colors of balloons and steamers hanging from the ceiling. The walls were decorated with streamers and latticework with touches of tulle and flowers. The floor was decorated with footprints of multiple colors stepping in each direction. Frank Taylor was available and ready to provide everyone with professional pictures. He had a backdrop perfect for the prom, which consisted of stars and lamppost, and everyone was eager to have their pictures made to remind them of the night.

The program began at 6:00 p.m. with scripture from Chris Mays, and invocation by Dr. B.M. Pittman. A heart felt welcome by Terrance Davis with Shanta Davis singing "Hero." Serita Robertson, Director of Louisville Industries, a develop-

ment of Hudspeth Regional Center, informed all in attendance of the services offered by Louisville Industries and Louisville Group Homes to people with developmental disabilities. Patricia Ashford followed with some words of encouragement. Alderman Eugene Crosby had the privilege to introduce the keynote speaker of the evening.

Bobby Moody former state representative served as guest speaker for this quintessential event. Additionally, Moody served as Mississippi Medicaid Director. Moody spoke about his time in the state legislature which included developing places for special needs individuals. Moody gave some personal experiences and encouraged everyone to take active role in voting and advocating for issues affecting the environment and social change.

Following the keynote speaker, Mayor Daniel "Moe" Yarbrough presented several proclamations to different organizations present. Dennis Murray, Sr. of Youth Development Capacity, Inc. gave some words of encouragement and made presentations to 4-H members. He encouraged the young men and women to stay in school and attend college. Dorothy Harper, leader of the Winston County Self Help Co-

operative youth group and Future Generations 4-H Club closed the program with introduction of guests, which included candidates for the upcoming general election of 2007 as well as the volunteers who assisted with making the program a great success. Various people and businesses gave door prizes to all individuals in attendance, which were donated. The program closed with singing Reach Out and Touch Somebody's Hand and Dr. Pittman offered a prayer.

After the closing, chairs were moved and the dancing began. Anthony Jernigan, better known as D.J. Mighty J. provided great entertainment.

The Prom was a great success and everyone had a wonderful experience and was appreciative of all the hard work that went into making this evening an enjoyable night of fun. Special thank to Jean Harper, WCSHC Youth Group, Future Generation 4-H club and supporters for a successful celebration. The night ended with everyone "Stepping in The Name of Love

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SCENES FROM PROM NIGHT

