



Pastor Steve Adams (left) with Anson Schools Superintendent Michael Freeman.

On Sunday February 26 Harvest Ministries of Wadesboro continued its "Connections" and "Show the Love" Month by hosting the annual Education Appreciation Service. The day was dedicated to the many local educators, principals, teachers, administrators and support staff who work so hard every day to teach and train the students of Anson County.

Lead Pastor of Harvest Steve Adams opened the event by saying, "Everyone in this room has been shaped and molded by an educator." Adams then had Anson County students come forward and read why they have great teachers.

Anson High School Principal Chris Stinson, Peachland-Polkton Elementary School Principal Travis Steagall, YCC Director Deborah Davis, Anson New Tech Principal Kevin Adams, Anson County School Board Chair Dr. Bobbi Little and others spoke on education and their experience in Anson County.

Pastor Adams presented each educator with a certificate of appreciation for their dedicated and committed service to Anson County students.

The Keynote Speakers for the event was Anson County Superintendent Michael Freeman and former South Piedmont Community College President Dr. Don Altieri. Both shared the stories of their journey into education and the importance of the people who helped make it happen.

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Harvest Ministries founder, Pastor Tim Adams, stated, "These fine educators and those who work every day to prepare our students for their future are vital connections to the success of any community, and today and every day Harvest appreciates their efforts."

To conclude the event Pastor Steve presented Superintendent Freeman with a plaque of appreciation for him and the entire school board for their work. In addition, Dr. Altieri was presented an award for his commitment to education.

Pastor Steve Adams left the crowd with the sermon "Connected to the Classroom," sharing that life will be a continual journey, and we all have been given the greatest example of a teacher through Jesus. Adams challenged the congregants to serve someone else, sharing that the greatest way to be a blessing is to be a teacher.

Harvest Ministries is located on Highway 74 in Wadesboro, across from Tractor Supply. Service times are Sundays at 10:30 am. For more information call 704-695-2879 or visit www.harvestmin.com.



Peachland-Polkton Elementary School Principal Travis Steagall



Pastor Steve Adams (left) with YCC Director Deborah Davis



Former South Piedmont Community College President Dr. Don Altieri.



Anson County School Board Chair Dr. Bobbi Little



Pastor Steve Adams (left) with Anson High School Principal Chris Stinson.

Town of Wadesboro Trash Cart Distribution

The Town of Wadesboro is beginning a more efficient trash collection method where a truck with a mechanical arm will collect each customer's town-issued trash cart. The town has begun distributing new 96-gallon trash carts to customers. It is projected to take several months to distribute new trash carts to all customers.

Public Services Director Hugh James said, "The town asks that each cart be placed facing the street by 7 a.m. on pickup day, about 4 feet away from any obstruction like a car or mailbox. This will allow our staff to spend less time on trash pickup and more time enhancing other services. Customers receiving assisted pickup due to a physical disability should continue to follow the same procedures."

Each cart comes with an informational pamphlet complete with picture examples on how to place out the cart which can also be viewed at www.townofwadesboro.com/public-works. If one 96-gallon trash cart is not enough, a customer may purchase a second cart at-cost. Customers are encouraged to call Town Hall with any concerns at (704) 694-5171.

Anticipated benefits of this new collection method include increasing operational efficiency which should allow more manpower to be dedicated to other services such as limb pickup and street maintenance, reducing staff injuries and associated costs by reducing physical handling of trash, reducing litter by preventing more animals from getting into trash, and enhancing aesthetics by having uniform trash carts town wide.

Town Manager Alex Sewell stated, "We're excited to get started for our customers. Thank you to the Town Council for striving to enhance services, to Pee Dee Electric for providing financial support to make this a reality, Town staff for working hard on this project, and most importantly the citizens."

Child Care Centers Invited to Apply to Become NC Pre-K Site

The Anson County Partnership for Children invites interested 4 or 5 STAR child care centers to apply to become an NC Pre-K site for the next two years, 2017-2018 and 2018-2019. NC Pre-K is a pre-kindergarten program designed to provide high-quality educational experiences to enhance kindergarten readiness for four-year-olds who qualify. NC Pre-K centers are reimbursed through the state because qualified children receive services from NC Pre-K at no cost to the families. The Site Selection application and Division of Child Development and Early Education program guidelines and requirements are available at www.ansonchildren.org under NC Pre-K.

Interested providers must submit the application by mail or in person to the Anson County Partnership for Children with all necessary attachments no later than 5:00 pm on March 17, 2017. Each application will be reviewed and scored by the local NC Pre-K Site Selection Subcommittee. The Partnership serves as the local contract administrator of the NC Pre-Kindergarten program. For questions concerning the NC Pre-K Program or this application process, please contact Caroline Goins at 704-694-4036.

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