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## AIG Students Take Holocaust Field Trip

The Anson County Schools Academically and/or Intellectually Gifted (AIG) Department hosted a Holocaust Field Trip for sixth grade AIG/Nurture students at Wadesboro Primary School on Wednesday, March 29. This field trip was fully funded using a Target Field Trip Grant. Students watched a one-woman theatrical play by Susan Stein titled "Etty" play. The play follows Esther "Etty" Hillesum as she faces deportation to the concentration camp, Auschwitz. "Etty's words, insights and beliefs reach out from the Holocaust," writes Stein, "and allow us to see the power of hope and individual thought in the most extreme circumstances.'

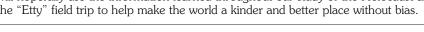
Following the play Ms. Stein conducted dramatic workshops where students analyzed diary entries by Holocaust sufferers, created vocal choruses and discussed the play in length.

Students were also able to view informational boards provided by the North

Carolina Council on the Holocaust, an agency of the N.C. Department of Public Instruction. Students viewed the "Kindertransport Journey" boards and the "Diaries of Children" suitcase. The Kindertransport was a rescue effort that took Jewish children out of Nazi

Germany into safety all around Europe. The pictures and information shared on these boards helped students see the urgency many Jewish families faced during World War II as they tried to save their children from certain death. The Diaries of Children suitcase featured the book Salvaged Pages; I Never Saw Another Butterfly and artifacts related to Jewish survivors.

The AIG Department is appreciative of Wadesboro Primary School for hosting this wonderful event. The sixth grade AIG students learned a lot from this experience and will hopefully use the information learned throughout our study of the Holocaust and the "Etty" field trip to help make the world a kinder and better place without bias.



Connections Family Support Program Monthly Meeting

For those serving children with emotional, learning or behavioral challenges

The Connections Family Support Program holds a group meeting for parents, grandparents and foster parents serving children with emotional, learning or behavioral challenges.

Connections Family Support Program hosts a monthly support group the third Thursday of each month (April 20) at Ebenezer Missionary Baptist Church, located at 612 Salisbury Street in Wadesboro, from 12 noon to 1:30 p.m. Lunch and resources are provided free.

Contact Suzanne Maness at (910) 627-1769, toll free (877) 211-5995, or by email at connectionsfsp@gmail.com for more information.

## **Anson County Writers' Club Welcomes New Members**

The Anson County Writers' Club meets on the fourth Sunday of each month, from 3 to 5 p.m. at the Chamber of Commerce office, except in July and December. All meetings are open to the public. New members of all ages are welcome.

For more information call Sandy Bruney at 704-694-5211 or email sandybruney@gmail.com.

Church in Wadesboro.

the University of North Carolina at Chapel Hill.

East Lansing, Michigan.

Bea was the daughter of the late Rosa Leak Parsons of Rockingham, N. C.

Bea attended St. Catherine's School in Richmond, Virginia. She received

Bea was preceded in death by her siblings Rosa Parsons Little Porter of New Orleans, Louisiana and Robert Eugene Little, III, of Wadesboro. She is survived by her niece Anne Bennett Little (Douglas Robert McCafferty) of San Jose, California and her nephew Walter Leake Parsons Little and his son

Bea began her teaching career in the Houston (TX) public school system. She later moved to Norfolk, VA where she initially taught science at Azalea Gardens Junior High School before starting the horticulture program for Gramby High School. Several of her students became professional horticulturists working at Longview Gardens in Philadelphia and

Although Bea returned home (NC) to care for her mother who experienced an extended illness, she pursued her love of horticulture and advanced the practice of Bonsai, the Japanese art of growing trees in small containers by pruning the crown and roots. Her research and specialty was "indoor" bonsai,

Bea was active with the Charlotte and N.C. statewide chapters of the National Bonsai Society of America. She traveled with the group to California

and Japan to work with bonsai master John Naka, participating in regional

juried shows and appearing in national peer-reviewed journals. In addition to horticulture, Bea was an active volunteer in the Wadesboro community and

the Calvary Episcopal Church Altar Guild. She was a board member of the Anson County Historical Society, Hospice of Anson County, the Anson County

Library, the Wadesboro Garden Club and a member of the North Carolina

her B.S. in horticulture from North Carolina State University in Raleigh, NC,

and her masters in horticulture from Michigan State University in

Andrew Bennett Davidson Little, both of San Francisco, California.

Dumbarton Oaks and the White House, both in Washington, D.C.

for which she was published in several professional journals.

and the late Robert Eugene Little, Jr., a former NC state senator and trustee of

**Mary Bennett Little** 

August 28, 1932 - April 6, 2017

Mary Bennett "Bea" Little passed away peacefully

on Thursday, April 6, 2017, at home in Wadesboro,

North Carolina in the care of Anson County Hospice. Memorial services will be held at 2 p.m. on

Thursday, April 13, 2017, at Calvary Episcopal

## COMMUNITY MEDICAL, PA OF MARSHVILLE

Community Medical, PA of Marshville and Dr. Gary Henry would like to announce the addition of Brandi Thomas, FNP-C, Family Nurse Practitioner to the practice.

As a Union County native, Brandi looks forward to meeting the healthcare needs of her community. Dr. Henry will continue to serve his community, providing the same quality care he has for over 26 years.

Brandi's background is in primary care, chronic disease management, diabetes management/education, hypertension, long term care and aesthetics. She is a Business Management graduate of Wingate University, and has a Masters in Nursing, Family Nurse Practitioner from UNCC.

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Society of the Colonial Dames of America. Bea was also a generous benefactor of many arts and humanitarian organizations. Bea lived a full and vibrant life, and is remembered for her love of plants, birds and wildlife. Few could escape the experience of her kind spirit, quick wit and wonderfully dry sense of humor. She was a tireless volunteer in many assisting in her many gardens.

Calvary Episcopal Church in Wadesboro.

environmental and animal causes, as well as the educational advancement of talented young people. Her niece and nephew have grand memories of field trips through local forests hunting native wildflowers, spotting birds, and In lieu of flowers, the family requests that donations be made in

Mary Bennett's name to one of the following organizations: Hospice of

Anson County; the Anson County Animal Shelter in Polkton, N.C.; or to

