

2011 High School Commencement Ceremony Stage



Last year's high school's Commencement Ceremony unified graduating seniors into one ceremony. An elevated stage and the use of a professional audio system enhanced the experience for all involved.

Dr. Bobbie Little Receives the Order of the Long Leaf Pine Award



Dr. Bobbie J. Little, a native of Lilesville, received the Order of the Long Leaf Pine from North Carolina Governor Beverly Perdue on March 10 during the National Association of University Women Founder's Day Event hosted by the Raleigh Branch in Raleigh. The Order of the Long Leaf Pine is among the most prestigious awards presented by the Governor. It is presented to individuals who have a proven record of extraordinary service to the state. Contributions to their communities, extra effort in their careers, and many years of service to their organizations are some of the guidelines by which recipients are selected for this award.

"I am thankful and humbled by the presentation of this award. It serves as a reminder of what I truly believe about service; we are blessed to be blessings to others. In other words, 'To whom much is given, much is expected.' The award also reminds me of the many years I have done what I am most passionate about, which is helping others, especially children," Dr. Little said.

Dr. Little has always put forth extra effort in her career and by the many years of service she has given to organizations to which she belongs, including Delta Sigma Theta Sorority, Inc., National Association of University Women, and others. She serves on the Children's Ministry Board at her church, Rock Hill Missionary Baptist Church in Lilesville, and has received numerous awards for service on the local, state, and national levels including the Governor's Award for Volunteer Service.

Dr. Little is a strong advocate in education. She earned both her Bachelor of Science and Master of Arts degrees from UNC-Pembroke and her Education Specialist and Doctor of Education degrees from UNC-Charlotte. She also earned credits from UNC-Chapel Hill and UNC-Greensboro. Proud of her humble beginnings as a bus driver, Dr. Little compassionately shares that she began her career in Anson County as a bus driver and teacher and continued to move through the realms to do almost everything there is to do as an educational leader in public schools in North Carolina for over thirty years. She presently serves as Vice Chairman of the Anson County School Board. Compelled by her compassion for education, Dr. Little now works as professor in the School of Education at Shaw University in Raleigh.

She is the daughter of the late Richard and Esther Little of Lilesville. She has one daughter, who is an educator in the Wake County Public Schools System.

Steve and Nichole Carpenter Attend Ag Leadership Institute

Steve & Nichole Carpenter of Wadesboro were selected and recently attended the Agricultural Leadership Institute in Asheville, NC hosted by Carolina Farm Credit. The 12th Annual Agricultural Leadership Institute held at the Grove Park Inn brought together and celebrated young, beginning, small and minority farmers. It was created to equip these farmers to meet the challenges of modern agriculture and encourages the sharing of industry. This year's 29 participants were couples or individuals from farms across Carolina Farm Credit's territory and were selected for their leadership and achievements.

The dynamic and interactive three day seminar was led by Dr. David Kohl, professor emeritus at Virginia Tech and professional speaker and Dr. Alex White, Virginia Tech Professor in the Department of Agriculture and Applied Economics. Dr. Kohl focused on the "The Wild World of Global Economics" and "Financial & Management Applications." His topics are designed to enlighten and help participants meet the daily challenges of modern agriculture while maintaining balance between family business, family life, and personal life. Dr. White conducted the DISC personality profile on the attendees and discussed how to work and interact with different personalities.

"We had a very diverse and extremely hard working group this year," says Mike Morton, CEO of Carolina Farm Credit. "It was evident from their participation and interaction throughout the weekend that this group has a passion for agriculture and is committed to ensuring education remains an integral part of their future. Their dedication renews my faith in the future of North Carolina Agriculture. Additionally, the relationships established within the group will hopefully provide opportunities to network with each other and collaborate to be more successful on their individual farms. At Carolina Farm Credit, we are committed to providing educational opportunities for young, beginning, small and minority farmers that will ensure the future success of North Carolina Agriculture and allow us to stay connected with our customers".

Other speakers for the Institute included Mike Morton; Dr. Ted Katsiganis, Vice President of Agriculture at the Biltmore Company; Tom Haarmann, Manager of Financial Services with Carolina Farm Credit; and Dr. Michael Hester, Director of the Pastoral Counseling and Growth Center in Asheville. The group enjoyed a reception and dinner at the Grove Park Inn on Friday evening that several state representatives, senators, and congressional aides also attended. They took a tour of the Biltmore House on Saturday, had lunch at the Lioncrest and enjoyed dinner at various local restaurants.

The Carpenter were among three couples that the participants voted to send to the North Carolina Cooperative Leadership Conference in Pauley's Island, SC later this year.

The couple was nominated to attend the Asheville conference by the staff of the Wadesboro service center of Carolina Farm Credit. The local staff includes Melissa Garrison, Loan Assistant; Nancy McIntyre, Loan Assistant; Jody Smith, Commercial Ag Loan Officer; and Dale Stevens, AgriConsumer Loan Officer. The office is supervised by Chad Puryear, Regional Lending Manager.

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A pre-tournament fundraising and registration event, with food, games and giveaways will be held on Sunday, June 17 on Robinson Bridge Road in Morven, from 4 to 8 p.m.

- Other registration sites:
- June 9 at Wal-Mart in Wadesboro from 11 a.m. to 5 p.m.
 - June 16 at HALLA! in Morven from 11 a.m. to 3 p.m.
 - June 23 at IGA in Wadesboro from 11 a.m. to 3 p.m.
- If you have any questions please call ACCESS at 1-866-472-2212.

Scout Closet

The Anson County District of Boy Scouts of America would like to create a "Scout Closet" for the local scouts. There is always a need for uniform shirts. If you have scout shirts, camping gear or tents, and would like to donate, please contact Mr. Chris Sanford at 704-694-5937. The email contact is sanforchs2@aol.com. Sanford will be serving as the contact person and will warehouse these items as they are collected.

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- John Carter..... June 5
- Safe House (Denzel Washington)..... June 5
- Good Deeds (Tyler Perry)..... June 12
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