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Sturdivant and her son William "Bugga" Sturdivant, Jr. purchased baskets for each school with the theme on the front stating 'Follow Your Dreams.' Each basket contained special gifts and items as rewards for students who are obedient, polite and who conduct themselves as ladies and gentlemen of respect.

Vancine stated, "With all the disrespect and behavior problems going on within the schools, we need to put incentives in place to reward students who are respectful and obedient to authority. This program is also to encourage learning and reading improvement.

We have great teachers, and it is time we as citizens set up to the plate and offer our services, whether as volunteers, tutors, mentors, whatever capacity as needed to assist our schools. I not only invite, I challenge our community leaders to visit a school, not just once, but weekly and offer your help.

Anson County School Superintendent Michael Freeman said, "All Anson County students are very fortunate to reap the benefits of such great support from Commissioner Vancine Sturdivant and

Pastor Steve Adams as they served our community by conducting the school supplies collections and distribution program. Through this drive children are supported by kind hearted community, business, government, and faith based representatives who gave generously to help children in Anson County. Thanks to the generous support of many people, teachers can now provide students with instructional supplies to help them learn. These children are our future so the investments being made today will yield tremendous results in the community we live in and love so dearly.

#### Quenton Cromartie Attended State 4-H Council Conference

A delegate from Anson County attended 4-H State Council Conference held November 4 and 5 in Raleigh. Quenton Cromartie joined more than 220 youth and adults from across North Carolina. While at the conference delegates had the chance to participate in interactive workshops, improve their leadership skills and learn with others from across the state. During the conference attendees celebrated and recognized 4-H Youth Volunteer award winners, and helped celebrate the achievements of youth reaching new 4-H Ambassador levels.

For more information on the 4-H program in Anson County please contact Roshunda Terry at 704-694-2915.

4-H is North Carolina's largest youth development organization, equipping more than 247,000 young people each year with the skills to succeed and improve the world around them. 4-H programs and camps encourage young people to "learn by doing," helping them to develop into active, contributing citizens. NC State Extension and the Cooperative Extension Program at N.C. A&T State University coordinate 4-H programs statewide.

#### Knitting Group Gathers at Marshville Museum Monthly

The Marshville Museum and Cultural Center hosts a knitting group that meets the first Tuesday of the month, from 2 to 4 p.m.

Margaret Pigg said, "Our little knitting group has been very busy turning out Prayer shawls, as well as red, white and blue lap robes to be given to veterans at Hospice. A couple of the ladies are taking on another project - scarves to be sent to the soldiers stationed in cold locations. We were already knitting caps for the newborn babies at CMC Union and dish cloths to sell at the Museum, and then we added prayer shawls when we merged with the Marshville Methodist Church group.

Pigg continued, "Of course, not everyone is involved in these projects. Some of us are working on personal projects. Some ladies come as beginners to learn and some come to get help with problems. I've been teaching knitting for more than 45 years, so I can probably help with problems.'

The gathering is not limited to knitters. Crocheters are welcome, too. For more information contact Margaret Pigg at 704-624-2602. The Marshville Museum is located at 201 North Elm Street.

### Quilting **Classes Offered**

Quilting classes are held the first Tuesday of the month, from 10 a.m. to 12 noon, with Norma Moore at the Marshville Museum and Cultural If you are Center. stressed out, come make a "crazy" quilt to lift your mood! Quilting will help you lose weight...you cannot eat and sew! It is much better than meds to help with winter blues! Come join in and see! For more information please contact Norma Moore at 704-385-9392. The Marshville Museum is located at 201 North Elm Street.



#### **Back To** School with **Pride Annual** Program

Each year before Faith school starts Based Center of Hope, CEO Vancine Sturdivant, along with Harvest Ministries Outreach Center, does an annual "Back to School with Pride" program. Each school was presented a box of school supplies, uniforms and book bags.

This year during the annual "Back to School with Pride" program Faith Based Center of Hope CEO Vancine

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