

CAREERS

Briefly

Advocacy award for Jenkins

The Coalition for Juvenile Justice (CJJ) has presented its 2013 A.L. Carlisle Child Advocacy Award to Dr. Robin Jenkins, a deputy commissioner in the Department of Public Safety.

Jenkins, who oversees Courts and Community Programs, has worked for the Division of Juvenile Justice since 2009. He formerly served as the executive director of Cumberland County CommuniCare Inc., a nonprofit agency devoted to strengthening families through effective prevention and early intervention services for at-risk children and their families through community-based collaboration. The award presentation cited his work, one-on-one with young offenders as a court psychologist in the juvenile court counselors' office, which made him a role model for many young people and fellow staff members.



Jenkins

"It is an amazing and humbling honor to receive this award from the Coalition," said Jenkins. "To be honored in this way from a group of highly effective and professional state leaders from across the country is an exceptional thing and I am extremely appreciative of the nomination from my colleagues and partners in our field."

'Main Street' towns picked

The N.C. Department of Commerce Office of Urban Development announced that 27 North Carolina communities have achieved accreditation from the National Main Street Program for meeting the commercial district revitalization performance standards set by the National Main Street Center, a subsidiary of the National Trust for Historic Preservation.

Each year, the National Main Street Center and its partners announce the list of accredited Main Street programs that have built strong revitalization organizations and demonstrate their ability in using the Main Street Four



Point Approach methodology for strengthening their local economy and protecting their historic buildings.

"We are proud to announce that Albemarle, Brevard, Burlington, Clayton, Concord, Elizabeth City, Elkin, Fuquay-Varina, Garner, Goldsboro, Hendersonville, Hickory, Kings Mountain, Lenoir, Lexington, Lincolnton, Marion, Monroe, Morganton, Salisbury, Shelby, Smithfield, Statesville, New Bern, Wake Forest, Waynesville and Wilson are North Carolina's 2013 nationally accredited Main Street communities," said Liz Parham, director of the Office of Urban Development. "Each of these communities has established a strong organizational foundation that is benefiting them in their efforts to implement complex downtown revitalization initiatives."

Established by the National Trust for Historic Preservation in 1980, the National Main Street Center helps communities of all sizes revitalize their older and historic commercial districts.

Rittling elected to board

Dr. Mary Rittling, president of Davidson County Community College, has been elected to the Board of Directors for the American Association of Community Colleges (AACC), a national organization representing the nation's almost 1,200 two-year colleges and their more than 13 million students.



Rittling

The new board members were certified during the AACC's recent annual meeting in San Francisco, Calif., and will officially take office July 1, serving a three-year term. Comprising 32 members, the AACC board governs association policy and helps guide strategic direction for national advocacy and other key functions of the Washington, D.C.-based organization.

"I'm honored to be elected to the AACC Board of Directors. This organization means a great deal to Davidson County Community College, North Carolina's community college system and community colleges and students around the country. It's helping guide us toward the future in education," said Rittling.

Rittling was named the third president of DCCC in August 2003. Her career in education has spanned nearly 30 years. Rittling previously served as regional vice president of West Virginia University, president of Potomac State College of WVU and senior administrator at the State University of New York at Delhi, where she served as interim president of the College of Technology and vice president for Academic Programs and Services.



(From left) Nick Lee, Bryant Bell, Amy Andreasen, Denis Dotson and Aaron Guth.

Investment firm selects college interns

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Wharton Gladden has selected its inaugural "Developing Excellence" summer interns.

The real estate investment banking outfit interviewed more than 50 students interested in pursuing investment banking careers for the five internships.

Wake Forest University students Amy Andreasen and Nick Lee, Bryant Bell of Winston-Salem State University and Denis Dotson and Aaron Guth of Elon University

were selected.

Bell, a senior economics and finance major, became highly interested in the commercial real estate industry after hearing Wharton Gladden Managing Director Algenon Cash speak at WSSU.

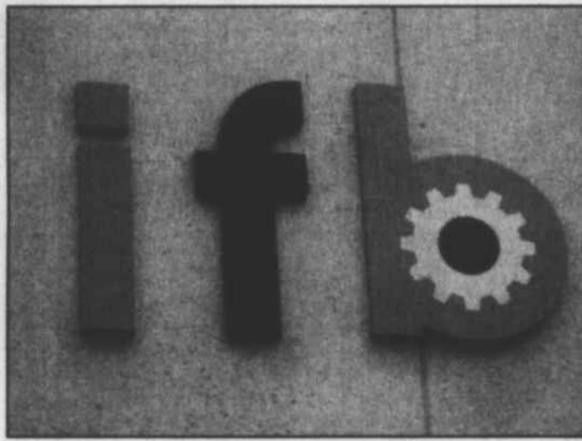
"I really wanted to get the opportunity to learn from him," said Bell. "Through this program, I have learned to analyze different commercial real estate deals as well as the mechanics of the development process."

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AARP HONORS IFB

File Photo

AARP presented Winston-Salem Industries for the Blind with one of its 2013 Best Employer for Workers over 50 awards yesterday for its exemplary policies toward workers in that age group. This marks the second year Winston-Salem IFB has appeared on the AARP Best Employers list. Blue Cross Blue Shield of North Carolina is the only other North Carolina company to have been given the award this year.



Bennett joins national advertising board

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Local entrepreneur and agency co-owner Brad Bennett was recently elected to the American Association of Advertising Agencies (4As) National Board of Directors. He will serve in the capacity of the Southern Region representative, having been recently elected the Southern Region's secretary treasurer.

The 4As announced their 2013-2014 Board of Directors and Board Officers after a meeting on June 13 in Chicago. The 27-member Board will represent agencies of varying sizes across the United States.

A Winston-Salem native, Bennett is "chief firestarter" and co-founder of Wildfire, LLC, an integrated marketing communications agency located in downtown Winston-Salem. Since its founding in 2002, Wildfire has expanded to nearly 60 full-time



Bennett

employees and is the Triad's third largest marketing-communications firm. Named the 2012 Truliant Small Business of the Year by the Winston-Salem Chamber of Commerce, Wildfire's clients include Hanesbrands, Inc., BB&T, Lowe's, Wake Forest Athletics, Carolina West Wireless, Nabisco and the Dixie Classic Fair.

In addition to his role on the board, Bennett also holds the position of Chair of the 4As Carolinas Council Board of Directors, a subgroup of 4As with the mission of providing leadership to advance and grow the advertising industry in the Carolinas region.

"Having served as chair of the 4As' Carolinas Council for the last three years, I am honored to take a more leadership role with the Southern Region and to provide a voice for the smaller agency members at the national level," Bennett said.

A&T students to make up race team

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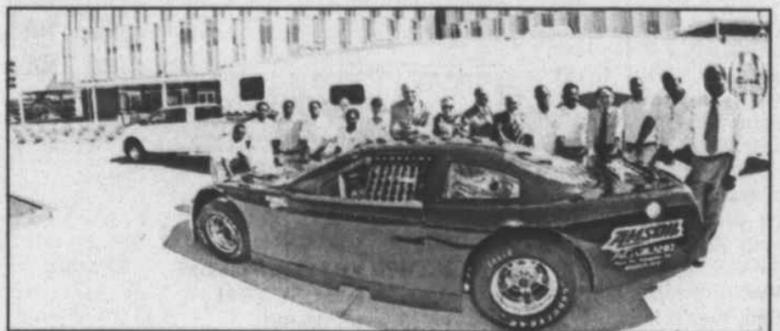
The North Carolina A&T State University School of Technology is building a racing team for students.

Motorsports professional Greg Davis will work with the school to develop a competitive team.

"The goal is to turn out industry ready graduates and the best way to do that is to take them racing," said Davis, who pitched the idea to the university in 2012.

Dr. Ben Obinero Uwakweh, dean of the School of Technology, worked with Davis and other university professionals to incorporate the racing team into the Motorsports curriculum.

The Motorsports program that began in 2010 is home to roughly 60 students. Students that study Motorsports at A&T receive technical and managerial training that allows them to fulfill the human resource needs of corporate sponsors, team owners, track facilities and product or service support suppliers.



Chancellor Harold Martin (center), Greg Davis, students and others pose behind a race car.

Motorsports students are taught NASCAR rules and regulations, motorsports demographics and the interdisciplinary involvement of technology, engineering, management, marketing, communications and graphic design in motorsports.

"We will have up to 20 students on the team and their job will be to run the

race from cradle to grave; they'll plan everything," said Uwakweh.

Davis will serve as the driver for now. "In the series that we're in, we're going to run against some of the top teams in the sport. My vision is that we'll have a scholarship program to recruit developing drivers into the A&T car," said Davis.

Another nod of approval for Livingstone

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The National Council for Accreditation of Teacher Education has announced that Livingstone College's School of Education, Psychology and Social Work has been reaffirmed for accreditation at the initial teacher preparation level until 2019.

The affirmation was recently announced by the Unit Accreditation Board

of NCATE, the governing body that accredits teacher certification programs at U.S. colleges and universities.



Vickers

Livingstone's NCATE efforts were led by Dr. Alexander Erwin, dean of the division of Education of Psychology and Social Work; Dr. Lelia Vickers, vice president of academic affairs; Cynthia Corlett, chairperson of the Teacher Education Council; Dr. Carolyn W. Duncan, president of the Faculty Assembly and Quality Enhancement Program coordinator; Dr. Kelli Randall, dean of the division of Liberal Arts; Dr. Gary L. Callahan, dean of The Holistic College; Suzette Davis, an associate professor of education and director of student teaching; Dr. Lewis Dowdy, an associate professor of education; and Dr. Charmion Rush, an assistant professor of education.

"Consistent with the mission and the conceptual framework, the unit has demonstrated a strong commitment to prepare candidates with the dispositions necessary to be successful teachers," NCATE officials said in their praise of Livingstone's Teacher Education Program. "The theme 'serve, lead and teach' is reflected throughout the program. Candidates work with students, families, colleagues and communities in a variety of ways. Each semester, all candidates are involved in volunteer work in the community. Assessment of dispositions begins during the admission to the teacher education program and continues throughout the program. The field experiences connected to the pedagogy and skills classes and the clinical practice focus on the assessment and development of behaviors that create caring and supportive teachers."