



BCC PRACTICAL NURSING GRADUATES pinned Aug. 17 are (front, from left) Jennifer Suzanne Lennon, Beverly Ann Fitzgerald, Audrey Harrelson Rees, April Robinson Perry, Rachel Lynn Smith, Karen Boswell Holley, Susan L. Frazier; (second row) Leigh Abercrombie Watts, Felicia Galloway Varnum, Angela Quenette Ramsey, Beverly Yopp Tyler, Shona Cheryl Turner; (third row) Renee Creech, Lisa Walls Crisp, Patricia Brennan Andreotti, Wendy Allison Dail, Susan Regina Smith Bennett; Director of Nursing Connie Milliken; and (back row) Lily Katherine Galloway, Carol Spence Hazlegrove, Gerald Brown, Paula Ann Hines, Tijuania Bigley Hansen, Jana Mills and Deborah Elizabeth Ross Lanier.

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24 BCC Practical Nursing Graduates Pinned

Twenty-four graduates of Brunswick Community College's Practical Nursing program received nursing pins and symbolic Florence Nightingale lamps in a traditional candle-light pinning ceremony Wednesday evening, Aug. 17, at Southport Baptist Church, Southport.

At the 10th annual ceremony, two nursing awards were given to exceptional students who not only attained outstanding academic achievement, but also demonstrated responsible leadership, high standards of professional behavior, and service to Brunswick Community College and their community.

BCC Dean of Student Services Beth L. McLean presented Practical Nursing graduate Tijuania Bigley Hansen with the Esther Swain Fraser Nursing Award. The \$300 cash award and plaque are given annually in memory of the late Southport resident, Esther Swain Fraser, by her sisters, Margaret Hood and Marie S. Harris.

Leigh Abercrombie Watts received the Steven Allen White Award, which includes a \$500 cash award and plaque was established as an annual memorial tribute to their son by Carl and Anita White. The recipient is selected by his or her fellow nursing students.



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PRACTICAL NURSING graduate Tijuania Bigley Hansen (left) received the Esther Swain Fraser Memorial Award, while Leigh Abercrombie Watts received the Steven Allen White Nursing Scholarship.

Stella Babson, R.N., director of nursing at Autumn Care of Shallotte was the guest speaker for the ceremony.

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Brunswick Community College's Director of Nursing Connie B. Milliken, R.N., and BCC President W. Michael Reaves opened the pinning ceremony with welcome addresses. The Rev. Wayne Trexler, pastor of Southport Baptist Church, gave the invocation. Ms. Amanda Prevatte, organist, provided music for the processional, candle lighting and recessional. Robert D. Floyd, soloist, of Holden Beach sang "The River" and "The Lord's Prayer," accompanied by Beverly Ann Fitzgerald, pianist.

Special music dedicated to the families and friends of the graduates was provided by Lily Katherine Galloway, Deborah Elizabeth Ross Lanier and Beverly Ann Fitzgerald. The 1993 class message was presented by April Robinson Perry and Rachel Lynn Smith. Beverly Ann Fitzgerald and Jennifer Suzanne Lennon made the class presentation.

Each of the graduating nurses received a nursing pin and a rose from their instructors, Janice G. Floyd, R.N., Bernice A. Lewis, R.N., Tanya O. Mace, R.N., and Milliken. During the candle-lighting segment of the ceremony, each graduate received a small Florence Nightingale lamp, as a gift from the nursing faculty. Each lit their lamp (symbolizing knowledge and skills attained in the nursing program) from a larger lamp in the center.

A reception at the Southport Community Building followed the pinning ceremony for the graduates and their guests, courtesy of the Brunswick Community College Foundation, J. A. Doshier Memorial Hospital and in-kind contributions of a decorated cake and flowers from local business persons.

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BCC Schedules September Testing Dates For GED

Test dates are scheduled at Brunswick Community College for those who wish to obtain their high school equivalency diploma (GED) during September.

GED tests (any test except writing skills) will be given at Brunswick Community College's main campus, U.S. 17 Business, Supply, on Tuesday, Sept. 14, at 5 p.m. and on Tuesday, Sept. 21, at 1 p.m.

Any GED test will be given at BCC's Southport campus, on North Lord Street, on Thursday, September 9, at 5 p.m., and at Brunswick Community College's Leland campus, Leland Industrial Park, (U.S. 74-76, on Wednesday, Sept. 15, at 11 a.m.

The writing skills GED test only will be administered on Tuesday, Sept. 7, on BCC's main campus at Supply at 1 p.m.

Any of the GED tests, except for the writing skills test, will also be given at BCC's Leland campus on Wednesday, Sept. 29, at 11 a.m. or on Thursday, Sept. 23, at 5 p.m. at the Southport campus.

Students may enter classes for GED instruction at any time. They should phone Brunswick Community College at 457-6329, 754-6900, or 343-0203, for a listing of classes in their town.

In addition, individualized assistance in preparing for the GED test is available at the college's learning lab in the Administration/Learning Resource Center/Student Center building on the main campus at Supply.

The learning lab is open Monday through Thursday from 8 a.m. to 7 p.m. Drop-ins are welcome.

Sign Up Next Wednesday For Fall Classes At BCC

Fall quarter registration at Brunswick Community College will be held Wednesday, Sept. 1, from 10 a.m. to 7 p.m. on the main campus north of Supply on U.S. 17 Business.

Classes for the fall quarter will begin Tuesday, Sept. 7, after the Labor Day holiday, said college spokesman Anne Marie Bellamy.

Late registration and drop/add will be held Tuesday, Sept. 7, through Thursday, Sept. 9. Hours for

late registration are 10 a.m. to 1 p.m. and 5 p.m. to 7 p.m. all three days.

As of Aug. 18 more than 300 continuing students had pre-registered for the fall quarter, according to Dean of Students Beth McLean.

Information on course offerings, registration, tuition and student assessments is available by calling Brunswick Community College Office of Student Services at 754-6900, 457-6329 or 343-0203.

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Brunswick Residents Needed As Abuse Prevention Advocates

Brunswick County volunteers are being sought to serve as child abuse prevention advocates by the N.C. Chapter of the National Committee for Prevention of Child Abuse.

Advocates represent the chapter and the committee and provide information to their community on child abuse and prevention efforts. They serve as the community's link with the organization's statewide child abuse prevention network.

Volunteers are asked to commit six to 10 hours per month for one year.

Reports of child abuse and neglect have increased 91.2 percent since 1989, according to the N.C. Department of Human Resources. "As these numbers continue to rise, so does our need to ensure that everyone in North Carolina has access to information on how to prevent the abuse and neglect of our children," chapter spokesman Elizabeth Odham said.

The chapter, founded in 1979, is a nonprofit, volunteer-based statewide organization. For more information, call (800)354-KIDS.

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