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*The Senior Class  
of  
West Brunswick High School  
announces its  
Commencement Exercises  
Saturday evening, June eleventh  
Nineteen hundred and ninety-four  
six-thirty o'clock  
M. H. Rourk Stadium*



## West Seniors Win \$370,000 In Scholarship Offers, Grants

By late May West Brunswick High School seniors had attracted \$370,000 in scholarship offers and awards from colleges and universities, civic and professional organizations, and the figure was still climbing, according to senior Guidance Counselor Wendy Milligan.

Students have gained recognition for their academic and athletic prowess as well as service and leadership. Some of the awards and scholarships were formally presented at the school's Senior Awards Day Tuesday, June 7.

Nicole Norris will attend Pfeiffer College in Misenheimer on a full academic scholarship valued at \$50,000 over four years. She also received a \$1,500 athletic scholarship for volleyball.

Receiving \$50,000 athletic scholarships for football are Phillip Johnson, Western Carolina University at Cullowhee, and Steve Brooks, also \$50,000, N.C. A&T University in Greensboro.

Monekia Gause will receive a full academic scholarship valued at \$40,000 over four years to N.C. Central University in Durham.

Other scholarship awards are as follows:

Mary Rachel Pearce, \$1,200, Willard L. Causey Jr. and Vickie Lee Herrin, \$500 each, South Brunswick Isles Civitans/Dr. Kendall H. Suh Scholarships; Jennifer Johnson, \$20,000 tuition scholarship, UNC-Wilmington; Melissa Robinson, \$20,000 N.C. Teaching Fellowship, UNC-Wilmington; Jennifer Smith, Chris Carlisle and Ellen Wemyss, \$13,000 each, Campbell University Ellis/Scott Scholarship; Dan Martin, \$10,000 James E.L. Wade Scholarship for Political Science, UNC-Wilmington; Dawn Lewis, \$10,000 Mount Olive College Leadership Scholarship; Jessica Benton, \$4,000, Western Carolina University Academic Scholarship, \$1,350 Shallotte Junior Woman's Club Beverly Smith Norris Scholarship, \$1,000 Calabash VFW Post No. 7288 essay scholarship, \$300, Brickland Women's Club Community Service Scholarship; Jared Smith, \$1,500 Greatest Gift Scholarship from Jean Gearhart, \$250 Pastor's Certificate Scholarship and \$4,800 Incentive Scholarship, Methodist College; Douglas Anderson, \$1,500 Greatest Gift Scholarship from Alan Holden, \$3,000 Incentive Scholarship, \$250 Pastor's Certificate Scholarship.

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## Pomp And Circumstance

### Grads From Three Schools Take Center Stage Saturday

**P**omp and circumstance, impatient rustlings and sentimental tears, well-wishers bearing cameras and armfuls of fresh flowers. All play a role in that traditional rite of passage, high school commencement, a new beginning for the 500 or so Brunswick County graduates who don caps and gowns Saturday to march with mixed emotions into an uncertain future.

Commencement exercises for West, South and North Brunswick high schools will be held Saturday, June 11, at different times. Each will be held in the school football stadium (gymnasium in the event of rain), with student leaders as the featured speakers. Superintendent of Schools Ralph Johnston or his designee will also address each senior class.

West's commencement in M.H. Rourk Stadium at 6:30 p.m. will feature performances by the school band and chorus, and comments from class officers. President Dan Martin will deliver the farewell address; Vice President Wayne Branch, reflections; Treasurer Lamar Hardy, the welcome; and Secretary Monekia Gause, the class poem.

The class valedictorian and salutatorian, to be announced after final grades are tallied, will be recognized during commencement, and the valedictorian will present the senior class gift, a new trophy case for West's front hall.

Falling after the last day of school, graduation



will be different for the Class of 1994. Graduates won't have the option of dropping by the next day for one last chat with fellow students. School will be out.

At West, seniors will be picking up their diplomas in the school cafeteria after commencement and then it's goodbye.

"That's the very last time they will be together as a class—graduation," said Annie Frink, school secretary.

North Brunswick's commencement will be

held Saturday morning at 10 o'clock. Participating in the program will be President Andrea Dauphais; Vice President Mark Mitchell; Secretary Stephanie Craft; and Treasurer Andrea Powell. After graduation many seniors from West Brunswick and North Brunswick high schools plan to continue their education; data wasn't available from South Brunswick.

Graduation at South Brunswick begins at 6 p.m. Class officers Misty LeClerc, president; Justin Rohde, vice president; Taseda Eagles, secretary; and Jennifer Davis, treasurer.

At West, at least 50 seniors will go on to a four-year college or university. Another 65 plan to attend a community college and eight, a vocational school. Eight are opting for military service. Fifty more students expect to go directly into the workforce, while 15 students are undecided, according to statistics compiled by Wendy Milligan, senior guidance counselor.

While a number of North Brunswick seniors haven't solidified their plans, a majority of those who have plan to go on to a community college, 46, said senior guidance counselor Penny Blackburn. Another 32 will attend a four-year public or private college or university and three will enter private two-year colleges. Six plan to enter the military, five will go to trade school, and 24 expect to enter the workforce. Two said they are undecided.