



## Commencement Weekend begins

Brevard College's 2012 Commencement activities begin today, with approximately 122 seniors expected to graduate during the College's 159th Commencement Exercise.

Special events for families and friends will begin at 3 p.m. today with a creekside reception beside the College's Porter Center for Performing Arts. The College's Baccalaureate and Hooding Ceremony will begin at 4:30 p.m. inside the Porter Center's Concert Hall. A special picnic for graduates and their families will follow the service at 6 p.m. along the creek and lawn outside of the Porter Center.

Commencement day activities will begin tomorrow morning with a class photo of graduates on the steps of the J.A. Jones Library at 8:30 a.m. The 2012 Commencement Exercises will

begin at 10 a.m. in the College's Betty Neale Academic Quadrangle.

As is a tradition at Brevard College, the ceremony will feature two speakers from the graduating class: Danielle Burch, an art major from Boiling Springs, and Jarred Fisher, a health science studies major from Johannesburg, South Africa.

A reception will follow on the lawn of Taylor and Green halls.

More information can be found inside, including a list of graduation candidates on page 2 and a schedule of events on page 3.

Students and faculty are also advised to look over the detailed weekend schedule available on MyBC.

### *Pomp and Celebration*



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Graduates file through the Weaver College Bell Tower on their way to the Brevard College commencement ceremony in the academic quad between McLarty-Goodson and Moore Science last year. One of Brevard's graduation traditions comes at the end of the ceremony when new graduates pass back through the bell tower between two rows of cheering faculty and staff.



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The 2012 Voice of the Rivers team pose with paddles and boats on a training weekend before they embark on the real thing Sunday. Two faculty members and 11 students will follow the Cape Fear River nearly 300 miles from its source to the Atlantic Ocean.

## VOR to take on Cape Fear River

A group of Brevard College students and professors will leave Sunday for an adventure of a lifetime.

The College's Voice of the Rivers team, which consists of two faculty members and 11 students, will embark on a nearly 300-mile kayak and canoe expedition that will follow the Cape Fear watershed from its northwest-most source, at the headwaters down the Haw River and Cape Fear River, to Bald Head Island, where the Cape Fear River meets the Atlantic Ocean.

As the team paddles down the river, each participant will study, reflect on, and share the experience through the unique lens of their individual discipline. During the trip, Associate Professor of Recreation, Wilderness Leadership and Experiential Education Clyde Carter and Associate Professor of Criminal Justice Amie Scheidegger will teach courses on river expeditions and environmental crime.

As they travel and camp along the river the

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