

Jefferson named delegate for Senior Tar Heel Legislature

Local resident Charles Jefferson attended the North Carolina Senior Tar Heel Legislature meeting on March 21 and was sworn in as the delegate for Warren County.

Lt. Gov. Beverly Perdue was the speaker for the meeting and is responsible for the existence of the organization, having introduced the bill that created it in 1993.

The Senior Tar Heel Legislature was created to provide information to senior citizens on the legislative process and matters being considered by the N.C. General Assembly; to promote citizen involvement and advocacy concerning aging issues before the General Assembly; and to assess the legislative needs of older citizens by convening a forum modeled after the General Assembly.

The Senior Tar Heel Legislature's 2007 legislative priority is to increase funding for home- and community-based services for older adults by increasing the Home and Community Care Block Grant by \$5 million.

Jefferson works for the Warren County Senior Center RAPIDD program, which provides social and recreational



Lt. Gov. Beverly Perdue, right, congratulated local resident Charles Jefferson on his nomination as a delegate to represent Warren County in the North Carolina Senior Tar Heel Legislature.

activities for seniors with developmental disabilities.

For information on this and

other issues relating to senior citizens, call Jefferson at the Senior Center, 257-3111.