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SCDOT'S Newest Certified Public Managers

SCDOT congratulates four graduates from the Certified Public Managers program on May 14. From left, Bryan Jones, Patty Langeland, Julie Barker and Michele Paoleschi pose after the program held at the S.C. Archives and History auditorium. The mission of the CPM Program is to provide quality training for public administrators, to assist agencies in developing future leaders, and to recognize management as a profession in the public sector.

Crews clean roadways during Litter Pick-Up Week

In support of Gov. Haley's designation of April as Litter Prevention Month, SCDOT Maintenance units and other employees in all 46 counties picked up litter during the week of April 20.

SCDOT employees focused their attention on high visibility routes and "litter

hot spots." SCDOT has long-standing partnerships with PalmettoPride and other organizations to help keep South Carolina beautiful. During that week, 1,200 SCDOT employees participated in the cleanup. The amount of litter collected by those employees totaled 183,395 pounds.



Bamberg Maintenance employees were joined by then S.C. Secretary of Transportation Janet P. Oakley and other members of the SCDOT senior staff for a litter pickup along U.S. 301 in Bamberg on April 23.

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Keith Melvin wins national award

By Pete Poore

SCDOT's Director of Outdoor Advertising, Keith C. Melvin was presented with the Chairman's Award by the National Alliance of Highway Beautification Agencies (NAHBA). The presentation was made at the 2015 AASHTO Subcommittee on Right of Way, Utilities and Outdoor Advertising Control Conference held in Minneapolis in late April.

Melvin was honored for demonstrating strong leadership, communications and consensus building skills. In addition, he was recognized for his commitment of staff and resources for improving the

effectiveness of SCDOT's Outdoor Advertising Control program, his long-term commitment to the program and the creative manner in which he meets challenges.

Melvin is a 16-year veteran of SCDOT. He administers the Highway Advertising Control Act which regulates the erection and maintenance of outdoor advertising signs, vegetation management and junkyards on federal aid primary routes and National Highway System routes.

He is a graduate of SCDOT's STTAR Program, the SC Executive Institute and he earned the credentials as a Certified Public Manager (CPM). Melvin has held a number of positions on the NAHBA Board, including Vice Chairman and Chairman.

