

Supervisor Certification Program Graduates

2006

- **Wayne A. Acors**, Caroline County
- **Charles C. Ballard**, Page County
- **Phillip A. Bradshaw**, Isle of Wight County
- **Gerald M. Cabbage**, Page County
- **Carol Lee Fischer-Strickler**, Page County
- **Thomas W. Fore**, Amherst County
- **R. Kenneth Hatcher**, Powhatan County
- **Judy S. Lyttle**, Surry County
- **Ronnie L. Shortt**, Wise County
- **Thomas J. Wright, III**, Isle of Wight County

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County
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Supervisors Graduate From Certification Program



Pictured (back row, left to right): Mike Chandler (program developer), Phillip Bradshaw, Charles Ballard, Carol Lee Fischer-Strickler, Kenneth Hatcher, Thomas Fore (front row, left to right) Ronnie Shortt, Thomas Wright, Wayne Acors, Judy Lyttle, Gerald Cabbage and Mark McCann (Director of the Virginia Cooperative Extension at Virginia Tech)

The first graduates of the new Supervisor Certification Program received their diplomas during VACo's banquet at the Annual Conference.

VACo, in partnership with Virginia Tech, is offering the program for county supervisors in Virginia. Mike Chandler, Virginia Tech Professor Emeritus, developed the program. He and Scott Tate, Virginia Tech's Community Viability Specialist, co-direct the program. Participants make a serious commitment of time and effort to the comprehensive and demanding program. They must complete five core courses and three elective courses over an 18-month period. Each

core course consists of a two-day workshop, eight weeks of reading and home study, and a concluding seminar.

This year's graduates include Wayne A. Acors, Caroline County; Phillip A. Bradshaw, Isle of Wight County; Gerald M. Cabbage, Page County; R. Kenneth Hatcher, Powhatan County; Judy S. Lyttle, Surry County; Ronnie L. Shortt, Wise County; Carol Lee Fischer-Strickler, Page County; Thomas J. Wright, III, Isle of Wight County; Thomas W. Fore, Amherst County; and Charles C. Ballard, Page County. ☞