ABAC Named Tree Campus USA

TIFTON – Abraham Baldwin Agricultural College was recently recognized for its commitment to caring for and managing the trees on the ABAC campus. ABAC was honored during the 2016 State Arbor Day celebration at Wesleyan College for being one of Georgia's "Tree Campus USA" communities. ABAC also received this recognition in 2014 and 2015.

ABAC achieved the title for a third year in a row by meeting Tree Campus USA’s five standards, which include maintaining a tree advisory committee, a campus tree-care plan, dedicated annual expenditures for its campus tree program, an Arbor Day observance and a student service-learning project. The Tree Campus USA program, administered by the Arbor Day Foundation in Lincoln, Neb., provides the framework for community forestry management for college campuses across America that meet certain requirements.

There are 14 tree campuses in Georgia and 254 campuses across the United States with this recognition. Due to Georgia's ideal winter tree planting season, the third Friday in February is designated annually as Arbor Day in Georgia. For more information about Georgia's trees and
services of the Georgia Forestry Commission, visit GaTrees.org. For information about becoming a Tree Campus USA and the Arbor Day Foundation, visit www.arborday.org.