

Art instructor executes seal in brick for BX

By MEGAN NICHOLS

When architects were designing the expansion of the BX Commissary at Seymour Johnson Air Force Base (SJAFB), they called Pat Turlington from Florida to ask for her help with brick artwork.

Turlington, art instructor at Wayne Community College, is one of the 33 people in the country certified by the Brick Institute of America to do brick sculptures.

In May 1996 the architects discussed with her the execution of the air force seal in brick as an interior wall sculpture.

She spent the Easter holidays of 1996 enlarging a drawing from 2 inches to 6 feet in diameter, the size of the seal.

She took 2 weeks to carve the design into unfired green brick. "It's like carving into well frozen ice cream."

After the sculpture was carved, Turlington sent it to the brick company where firing occurred.

The company sent the finished sculpture back to Goldsboro in time for the August deadline Turlington's contract stipulated.

The completed brick sculpture sat in a locked building for 3 months until the building had been completed.

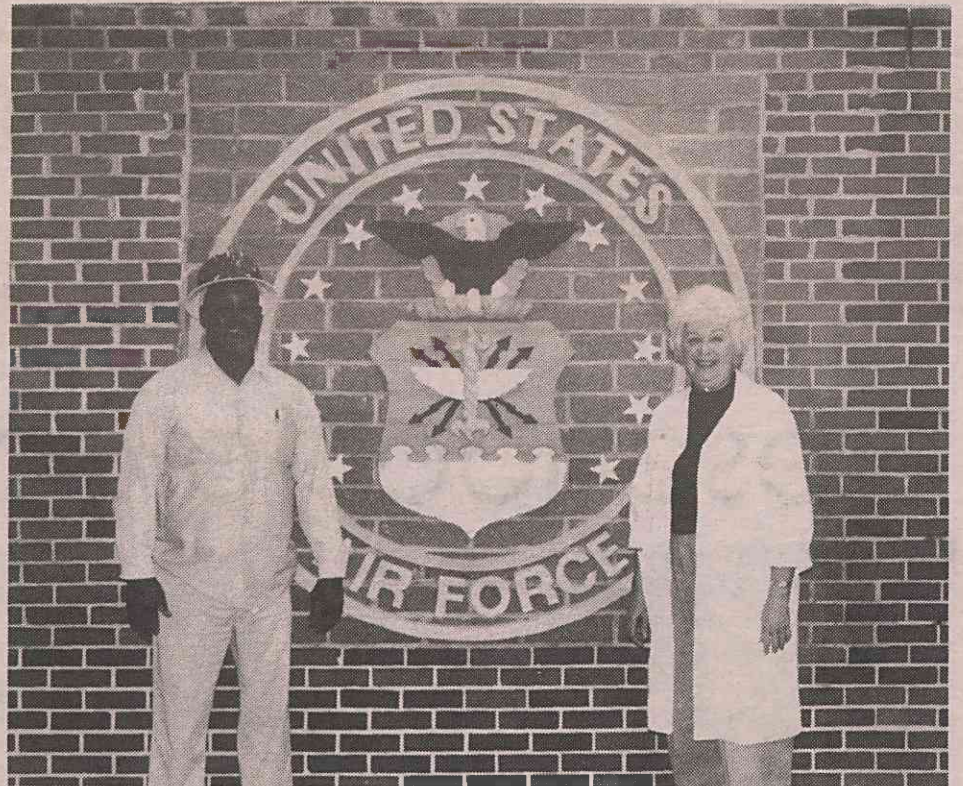
The construction company provided a local brick mason, Kenneth McIntyre, who installed Turlington's sculpture under her supervision in 3 days.

Turlington said, "He did an excellent job laying the brick."

After the mortar was dry, Turlington hand-tinted it to match the colors in the brick sculpture.

Turlington's earliest brick sculptures adorn the halls of a local school, North Drive Elementary.

Photographs of her previous brick sculptures line the walls outside her office in the A&M Building.



Brickmason Kenneth McIntyre and brick sculptor Pat Turlington pose beside their completed work. PHOTO: CHRIS DAILY

Mail service available for students

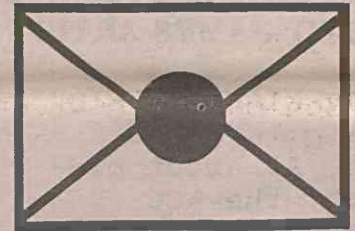
By NATISHA MCLEOD

According to Inky Bowden, in charge of mail delivery service campus wide, a mail box has been placed in the SGA office for the convenience of WCC students.

Students should look for the brown wooden box on the right as they enter the SGA office.

Bowden collects the mail daily and delivers it to the local post office.

She said students may purchase stamps at the cashier's window in the LC building.



Basic Skills students produce 4th 'Voices'



Renita Johnson, (l) student in Basic Skills, autographs a copy of "Voices" for her mother. PHOTO: CORRIE WEAVER

By CORRIE WEAVER

On Tuesday, January 20, 1998, the Basic Skills Education Department held a book signing for students in the program who had works published in "Voices," a booklet of art, poetry, and short stories.

Each author or artist signed copies of the publication to be passed out to teachers, friends and family.

"Each poem, story, artwork is precious and valuable," said Stephanie Hunt, TLC Lead Instructor, who planned the event.

Also helping Ms. Hunt as editor of Voices was Grace Lutz, Media Technician.

An example of the poems in the book is "The Mountain" by Rachel Potter.

The Mountain

Search my mountain,
Explore within.
Life is what you make it.
My mind is set to better things
And no one can change it.
It's up to me to make the climbing short.
The mountain is a higher goal in life.
It's up to me to make it.
--Rachel Potter