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Pollard named Rotary student

Senior Mary Pollard is this month's Rotary Scholarship Student of the month.

Pollard's activities within the school are Students Against Drunk Driving, the National Honor Society, and colorguard for the marching band.

She hopes to attend either Appalachian State University or Atlantic Christian College. Pollard plans to study chemistry or communications. She has also been a hostess for the Golden Crowl Restaurant in Rocky Mount. Pollard, who enjoys books and poetry, attended luncheon meetings each Monday of the month at the YMCA.

Angel tapped for Kiwanis

The Kiwanis person for the month of April is senior Mollie Angel.

Angel is involved in a number of activities throughout the school. Many of her positions within her activities show her leadership ability. Angel is president of A.F.S., vice-president of the Phalanx club, and copy editor on the yearbook staff. She is also a member of Students Against Drunk Driving, the National Honor Society, and the marching band.

Angel plans to attend U.N.C.-Chapel Hill in the year. Psychology and sociology head her possible fields of study.

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Math teams split competitions

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Copy Editor

Math teams in three different levels of mathematics recently competed in state competitions throughout eastern North Carolina. A math comprehensive team, pre-calculus team, and algebra II team were composed of gifted mathematics students

throughout the school.

Math teacher Diane Dixon coached the pre-calculus team which was composed of juniors Angie Abernathy, Jim Ringelspaugh and Robbie Zalneck. The team competed in Goldsboro at Wayne Community College. Students were given one hour to work 40 problems individually. The total number of correct an-

swers were totaled both individually as well as a team score. The team did not place however as students from Chapel Hill took both categories.

Martha Lewis took two teams into Greenville and came away with impressive honors. The comprehensive team, seniors Ed Johnson, Mike Melody, and Lisa Daughtry, placed third overall.

Daughtry will advance to the state finals individually, as she placed in the top six percent. The algebra team did not place in their category but combined with the comprehensive team to take second place for the entire day. The competition, which was held on the campus of East Carolina University, was run similar to the pre-calculus format.



Photo by Brian Morgan

Join the force

Firefighter Dwayne Pridgen explains a new career opportunity to senior Darryle Coppedge.

Career Day opens new opportunities

Students received information about future career opportunities on April 5 at the second annual Career Day. Approximately 75 representatives from different professions in the Rocky Mount community came to the school to provide the students with pamphlets, brochures, and other free information about their particular occupation. Students walked to the various professions and asked questions. After asking questions, students registered for door prizes to be given away the next day.

The professionals who participated in Career Day ranged from doctors to band workers and from local car dealers to officers in the army.

Career Day activities were designed to encourage students to think about what they want to do with the rest of their lives. "Career Day gives students an excellent opportunity to learn about jobs and occupations they are interested in," said Robert Horn, vocational coordinator. "On the other hand students can learn about new occupations they knew nothing about," Horn continued.

By Lisa Tant

Thespians prepare for spring performances

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"Two plays *Hands Across the Sea* and *Sorry, Wrong Number* will be presented by the Drama Club this spring," said Anna Gardner, drama instructor.

Try-outs were held on April 16 during school and April 17 after school. Some cast members have been chosen. The cast for *Hands Across the Sea* is as follows: Melissa Tillery, Pigge;

Jennifer Brett, Clare Wedderburn; Michael Pittman, Bogey Rosling; Leslie McDevitt, Mrs. Wadhurst; Ron Pierce, Mr. Wadhurst; Lars Nilsen, Mr. Burnham; and Ken Williams, Alistair.

Cast members for *Sorry, Wrong Number* are Samedia Bryant, Mrs. Stevenson; Alvin Wiggins, Killer; Renee Brown, Michelle Jackson, Jamie Stump, Candy Alston; Sabrina Walker and Cassandra Puddy.

Hands Across the Sea is set in the 1930's. It is a British comedy of mistaken identity. The plot revolves around the characters Piggie and Peter Gilpin, who are British socialites.

Sorry Wrong Number is a play full of suspense which leads up to the murderer's plan to kill Mrs. Stevenson. She is an invalid who cannot leave the bed. One day while Mrs. Stevenson is trying to call her husband, she is connected to another line. Mrs.

Stevenson listens to the people talking and discovers that they are planning a murder. She then contacts the police who don't believe her. She then tries the telephone operator who is somewhat less than willing to help. Mrs. Stevenson is not able to contact her husband to tell him of the situation, so she listens some more. Mrs. Stevenson finally figures out the plans are to murder her. So what happens?