

DECA honors employers

by Rick Cannon

NEW BERN - Over eighty-five students, employers and special guests attended the annual West Craven High School DECA Employer-Employee Banquet. The banquet, was held at the Golden Corral Steak House here.

Seven students were recognized for working over one thousand hours during the school in addition to maintaining their regular school work at West Craven High School. Charlie Fornes topped the list, working 1403 hours at Fornes Garage in Vanceboro. Other students working over the one thousand hour mark were Michael McKeithen, David Manning, Terence King, Sherl Turnage, Steve Rowe and

Greg Watson. Mr. Hiram Mayo, Craven County Superintendent, praised the students for their dedication to their work. Attending the banquet with his wife, Mayo added that many people get only a liberal arts education and no on-the-job experience. He explained that some educators are beginning to say that a system like the Distributive Education Program should be required of all students before they graduate from high school. In other words, there is a growing trend of thought which feels that more students should have some work experience before graduating. Mayo encouraged the students to take pride in their work, since work is a contribution to others. In addition, work can give a sense of purpose to ones

life. Mayo also praised R. L. Cannon, Jr., D. E. Coordinator, as one of the leading experts in the Distributive Education Program in eastern North Carolina.

Each firm employing students in the Distributive Education Program was presented a Certificate of Appreciation from the Student-employees. Firms employing students during the 1979-80 Program include Foodland #2, McCoy's Food Center, Montgomery Ward, Craven County Hospital, Laminated Wood Products Sutton's Supermarket, Cannon's Variety Store, Golden Corral, Mid-American metals, Chick-Fil-A, Clark's Discount, McDonald's of New Bern and Washington, Winn-Dixie of Washington,

Kite's Supermarket, Fornes Garage, Foodland #5, Piggly Wiggly, King's Department Store, Dove Garmet Co., Golden Skillet, Big Star, Tripp's Garage, Craven County Audio Visual Center, Stop N Shop, Morris Farms, Country Mart, Branch's of New Bern, Burger King, Wendy's of Washington, West Craven High School Store, and Zip Mart.

Senior choir reunion

by George Adams

The senior choir of St. John's Missionary Baptist Church in the Epworth Community will observe their reunion Sunday evening, May 25 at 5:00 p.m. All choirs and groups are invited to attend.

Wildcat Beat

by Rita Lewis

Dance successful

West Craven Junior High School was packed with students enjoying music, snacks and conversation at the first Ninth Grade Graduation Dance held May 9.

Frink 8 Wildcats 2
In baseball action last week, the Wildcats dropped a tough game to Frink, 8-2. David Cook and Milo Jenkins scored the Wildcats' runs in the seventh inning. Coach Grover Russell explained that the game was tied until the fourth inning when the Wildcats started making errors. "We have a very talented team," Russell commented, "but we cannot seem to put it all together."

Greenhouse still going
The FFA would like to remind you that the greenhouse is still open and has a beautiful selection of hanging baskets and other plants. Also, don't forget to go by the strawberry patch. Only 70¢ a quart.

Annual Math Fair
Teresa Ensley and Kelly Walker placed first in the seventh grade division while Lynne Hebble and Robert Barr were first in the eighth and ninth grade divisions respectively in the Annual Math Fair held May 8th & 9th at WCJHS.

The first place winners received a math game. Other winners included Frank Grady, second, Frankie Moore and Deloris Waters, third; Leslie Conway and Kerri Ensley; and Kelly Ipock, fifth in the seventh Grad Division. Students placing in the eighth grade division were Stephanie Siegler, second; Albert Blount, third; Lee Kirkman, fourth; and Linwood Daugherty, fifth. In the ninth grade division Queenie Beckwith second, following by Wendy Adams, third; Pam Register, fourth; and Gina Connor, fifth.

Honorable mentions in the Contest went to Angela Smith, Leslie Wright, Nicole Prevens.

The Junior High Band will be playing at Twin Rivers Mall May 26 at 1:00 p.m. They will also take part in the West Craven High School Concert on May 27 at 7:30 p.m. West Craven's Jazz Band performed for the school.

WELCOME HOME ALVIN HOELL! Alvin just recently came home from the hospital. He had suffered a leg injury. Even though you're not able to get to school just yet, it's nice to know you are home. See ya soon.

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