

## Public Parade

### Noted And Passed

Today, September 23, marks the 16th birthday of the junior member of our household. We were less than two years into our sojourn along the Public Parade when we witnessed our fifth blessed event.

A couple of weeks ago we were in the birthday arena. Some who meander along the Public Parade on a regular basis may have seen a touch of humor (?) which appeared on a couple of pages of the Herald.

Being a September baby has anxious moments. First, you are eligible to start school in the sixth year. Second, you are eligible to become a licensed driver.

Like Greer, we were away in school at this important milestone in life. And regardless of the feeling at the time, we managed to get along without taking the driver exam on our birthday.

Unlike our admirers, we won't be secretive about it. We'll come right out and say: "Happy birthday, Greer!"

### Fair Week

This is Fair Week along the Public Parade. If you dug your peanuts, they may be a long time drying. If you put out rye grass seed and fertilizer, you may have a beautiful lawn this fall.

Rain which began Sunday night has dumped a lot of much needed water on the landscape in the past couple of days. In fact, opening of the award winning Chowan County Agricultural Fair was postponed Monday and then called off Tuesday. It was just too wet at the fairgrounds.

While the fairgrounds are located on well drained land, Wednesday still wasn't suitable day for a leisurely visit to the fair. However, time still remains before the annual attraction is closed down Saturday.

Edward G. Bond Post No. 40, American Legion, sponsors the agricultural fair which consistently been tons in North Carolina. This year's edition ranks among the best and there is something for everyone.

While there are concessions, rides, etc., strong emphasis over the years has been placed on exhibits. Scores of people put in hundreds of hours in the exhibit halls and the result is worth going to see, even if you hazard the chance of muddy shoes.

As we said, it may have been a bit damp early in the week, but time remains to support the Chowan County Agricultural Fair.

### Location Questioned

This week's mail brought a clipping from The Princeton (N.J.) Packet with an interesting article about how a surfer in the Atlantic plucked from the ocean a bottled message. What made it a local interest item along the Public Parade was the mention of Edenton as the point of deposit.

We question the geography of the piece. But, that doesn't spoil an otherwise fascinating story.

It seems that "sometime in February," 1981, three pages of notes were stuffed into a "Heinz 57" catsup bottle by 26 Navajo Indian students from a school near Winslow, Ariz. The teacher sent the bottle to relatives in North Carolina to be deposited into the Atlantic surf. So far, so good!

When a young surfer at Barnegat Light beach spotted the bottle bobbing in the water a couple hundred feet from shore, he found a note signed by the teacher, dated January 30, 1981. The note further stated that the bottle was put into the ocean at Edenton. That's where the geography gets out of kilter.

If the aunt and uncle of the teacher—Ellen Carolin—in fact deposited the bottle in Albemarle Sound at Edenton that gives the story an even more interesting twist. The fact that it made its way down the sound, into the Atlantic and up to New Jersey is an even better story.

Anyway, as Michael Boonin's story reads:

"Stuffing a message into a bottle and tossing it into the ocean (or sound) is not the most reliable method of correspondence in this

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**PORK QUEEN CHOSEN**—The young women pictured here in evening gowns were participants in the Northeastern Pork Queen Contest. Pictured here are Debbie Lynn Jordan, Debra Ann Alons, Ester Dale Adams, Cheryl Faye Stallings, Donna Patricia Elliott and Deborah Kay Suter. The winner of the title was Cheryl Faye Stallings.

## Miss Stallings Is Crowned As Northeastern Pork Queen

There were beautiful girls to be seen at the Northeastern Pork Queen Contest. The girls possessed more than beauty though; they had charm, they were graceful, and they were intelligent but more than this they possessed a knowledge and dedication to the pork industry.

The contestants competed in evening gown competition, with three minute oral essays, a question and answer session, and private interviews. They were also observed closely by the judges during an informal dinner party given in their honor.

The contestants in their essays brought out the facts about pork as a food.

The contestants were Deborah Kay Suter from Tyrrell County, Debra Ann Alons from Hyde

County, Cheryl Faye Stallings and Donna Patricia Elliott from Perquimans County, Ester Dale Adams from Bertie County and Debbie Lynn Jordan from Chowan County.

The second runner up in the contest was Deborah Kay Suter. She received a \$50 cash award.

The first runner up was Debbie Lynn Jordan and she received a \$75 cash award.

The winner of the Miss Northeastern Pork Queen Contest was Cheryl Faye Stallings. She received a \$100 cash award, a trophy and a crown.

The Pork Queen Contest was coordinated by the Northeast North Carolina Pork Council, Northeast North Carolina Porkettes, and the Chowan County Fair Association.



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**CERTIFICATE PRESENTED** — Captain Williams of the Edenton Police Department receives The Basic General, Intermediate General and Advance Law Enforcement Certificates from Mayor Roy Harrell.

## Town's Request On Waste Water Is Approved

Sam Noble, Town Administrator of Edenton, has announced that the Environmental Protection Agency has approved the town's request to permit an additional 15,000 gallons of waste water per day into the existing sewage system.

The announcement comes after a meeting Noble and several of the Town Council members had with the EPA in Raleigh on September 9. At this meeting they presented their proposed plans to expand the sewage system by the addition of a Land Application System.

The way the proposed Land Application system would work similar to the way an irrigation system; where the waste water would be allowed to settle in ponds and the water after the solids have settled out, would be spread over a large track of land by sprinkler devices. The land would then be used by the city to grow soft hard wood trees like poplar.

The EPA commended the Town and County for moving so quickly to solve the waste water problem.

The cost for the system will be around \$7,400,000 with the Town of

Edenton footing around 7 1/2 per cent of the total bill, or \$576,000. The rest of the funds would be coming from state and federal sources. Coy Batton, the Director of Grants and Management, thought that funding could be obtained by December. He is reported to have said that the real selling point would be that Edenton has its monies already appropriated.

The Town is at present negotiating a lease with Gilliam Wood for the use of land which he owns near the Edenton Airport.

Sam Noble said, of Wood, "You can't ask for any one to be more cooperative than he has been".

"He has the Town's and County's best interest at heart."

With the additional allowance for waste water until the Land Application Plant can be built the Town will be permitted to add the new wing of the Chowan Hospital, the expansion of Elder Lodge, and the new duplex for the elderly called Senior Village.

## Board Of Elections Reminder Of Deadlines

The Chowan County Board of Elections would like to remind all Chowan County residents that the deadline for registration is nearing. There are three deadlines the public should be aware of:

The first is that the registration deadline itself is October 4, 1982.

The second is that if a voter's registration status has changed in any of the following ways the election office should be notified: Moved from one precinct into another; Moved to another address in the precinct; Address has been changed by the U.S. Postal Service; or if your name has changed.

The last deadline is for those intending to vote by absentee ballot. Applications for the absentee ballot must be made by

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with one pay taking it for the bare minimum and a lot of suppliers have raised their prices."

Lamb also went into the results of his negotiation with the contractor to bring prices down. The cuts however still brought the price of the construction around \$36,000 over budget. The Board now has until September 30 to decide whether to accept the bid or not. The Board after a long discussion decided to move that Dr. Dunn be permitted to negotiate with the architect to bring his fee down and to permit him to negotiate with Cliff Copeland to see if there were any more monies available from the County. The vote on the motion was tied at three votes for giving Dr. Dunn the authority to negotiate for the Board and three votes against. The chairman broke the tie for negotiating.

In other business Ed Bond was

### Rescheduled

Due to heavy rains the Chowan County Fair has rescheduled Monday night events.

Saturday 1:00 P.M. to 6:00 P.M. everyone pays one price - \$3.00 babies in arms are free. 10 prizes to be given away at 6 P.M.

## She's On Broadway Local Actress In A Broadway Musical

By Deborah Collins

When Patricia Mooney Parker was a toddler, she dressed in her aunt's discarded gowns and her mother's shoes, as she sang and acted on her front lawn on Oakum Street in Edenton. Today, she is still acting and singing, only now she dresses up in \$5,000 gowns and sable coats and she's no longer on her front lawn...she's on Broadway.

A native of Edenton Patricia is the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Jack Mooney. The Mooney's who now reside across the street from the home where Patricia once played, are now in New York for their daughter's first performance in "A Doll's Life". While there Mrs. Mooney will be celebrating her birthday by watching her daughter in a Broadway musical and taking a tour of the Big Apple, although her husband insists "she'll see the city from the window of their 14th floor room."

Mr. and Mrs. Mooney knew



Patricia Mooney Parker

from the beginning their daughter was determined to make it to the top, although they cautioned her that "it was a long hard road in musical and theatrical success." At the age of four Patricia won a \$100 bond in a Double Cola Talent Contest in Elizabeth City, from there her musical talent was nurtured by her mother who is a music teacher. Patricia designed a plan of training, hard work, dedication, persistence and a high consistent level of self-discipline to follow.

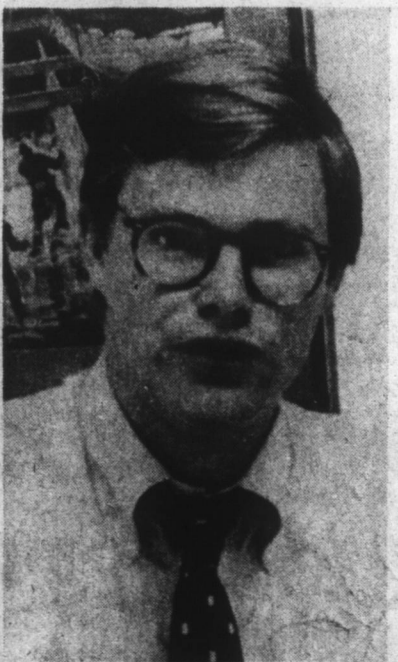
She attended Edenton Elementary School, in the early 1960's however her parents moved to Raleigh where she then attended Broughton High School. She took her singing lessons from Geraldine Kate, now retired from St. Mary's. Mrs. Kate greatly influenced Patricia's musical career in those early voice lessons.

In high school she played the lead in musicals such as "Annie" and "Oklahoma" then as a junior she was selected to attend the North Carolina Governor's School for the Gifted in the performing arts and she was chosen as the youngest vocalist for the North Carolina Symphony.

A graduate of Converse College Conservatory of Music, she majored in voice performance and won numerous vocal competitions. She also sang with the opera workshop. She received her master's degree at the Eastman School of Music in Rochester, New York.

Patricia has lived in New York

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Peter Rascoe

## Peter Rascoe Is The New Associate Lawyer In Edenton

Hear ye, Hear ye, the court of Chowan County is now in session, all rise. The next time you are at court and hear the baliff's cry you may notice a new face among the lawyers represented there. The new face will be that of Peter Rascoe, III.

Rascoe graduated from North Carolina State University with a B.A. in History. After staying out

of school a short time he applied and was accepted at the University of South Carolina Law School. He graduated from USC Law School in the first part of 1982 and took the N.C. bar exam in July of the same year

He applied for employment as an associate of Chris Bean and started working with him on September 7.

Now don't get him wrong, Peter Rascoe is a country boy, born and bred. He was born in Bertie County and lived in Windsor up until the time he attended college.

Rascoe refers to his roots when he said, "I had a strong desire to come back to Northeastern North Carolina.

"I've always been in love with Northeastern North Carolina, I did not apply any where else for work.

"The other law students were always coming up to me and asking 'What do you want to go back there for?'"

Rascoe said of Edenton, "I like Edenton a lot, my family has always had friends here in Edenton.

"I'm impressed with the small town, at the people here who have made me feel at home."