

PASS program is designed to keep students in the classroom and off of the streets.

# Petree Offers Students-Another Chance to Make the Grade

By DAVID L. DILLARD Chronicle Staff Writer

Krystal Little was put out of Petree Middle School for fighting and she refused to go to LIFT Acad-

After spending a month at home, Little, 14, wanted to continue her education so she joined a special program at Petree designed to help her get back in school.

She said the program has allowed her to redeem herself without facing the peer pressure that landed her on the streets. She has even made up with the person she fought.

"We started talking and we are friends now," she said. "If we had went back to the same (environment) somebody would have tried

to see us fight again. I can learn better with a small group of people because the teacher can see every-'hing that goes on."

Little is one of nine "high-risk students" recruited for the program by Petree Principal Ben Henderson.

Henderson went door to door this summer to bring the children into the program because he believes everyone can learn if they sometimes many opportunities.

"There is no learning out there in the streets, he said. "We have to do all we can to get the kids back in school."

Petree After School Session, or PASS, was started as a pilot program May 17 for students who had been put out of Petree and later put out of LIFT Academy.

Mandy Lott, coordinator of PASS, said the program lasts from 1-4 p.m. and gives reading, mathematics, conflict resolution and behavior management.

Lott said it is a feeder into summer school, and if the students pass, they will advance to the next grade

Henderson said Petree spends \$3,000 on the program to pay teachare given an opportunity - or ers to work with the afternoon program.

Susan Carson, communications manager of the city/county school system, said the funds come from differentiated pay alloted by the state for teachers who work extra hours with students.

All nine completed the program, which ended June 9. Summer school program begins July 5.

## Local Youth to Have Poetry Published

Shantell Deva' Harris of 733 Anson St. Apt. #D2 has just had original poetry published in Whispers In The Wind, a treasury of today's poetry compiled by The National Library of Poetry. The poem is entitled "Prayers" and the main subject is praying.

The National Library of Poetry seeks to discover and encourage poets like Harris by sponsoring contests that are open to the public and by publishing poems in widely distributed hardback volumes.

Harris has been writing for six years and favorite subjects and ideas

are English and Science.

Poets interested in publication may send one original poem, any subject or style, 20 lines or less, to The National Library of Poetry, 11419 Cronridge Drive, #10, P.O. Box 704NR, Owings Mills, Maryland 21117. Please be sure to include your name and address with your poem.

All poems received are also entered in The National Library of Poetry's North American Open Poetry Contest, which awards over \$12,000 in prizes annually.



Shantell Deva' Harris

### Boone and Cary: First Place Winners

Winners Last Week Monday, June 20 at 2 p.m. -Carl Russell Recreation Center First Place - Geraldine Cary

and Rudolph Boone Second Place - Mary

Boswell and Floyd Neal Tuesday, June 21 at 7 p.m. -Winston Lake Family YMCA

Winston-Salem Duplicate Bridge Club

First Place - Pauline Caldwell and Rudolph Boone Second Place - Floyd Neal

and Ruby Walker Thursday, June 23 at 7 p.m.

Rupert Bell Recreation Center Kings and Queens Duplicate Bridge Club

First Place - Pauline Caldwell and Sandra Brown

Note: This was a "team game" and no master points were

Durham Grade "A" Local

The following local players participated in the recently held Grade "A" Tournament sponsored

by the College View Duplicate place. Bridge Club on the weekend of Father's Day: Billie Matthews, Geraldine Cary, Pauline Caldwell, Ruth Washington, Geneva Coleman, Monica Lett, Irma Gadson, Charles Gadson, Lessie Hatton,

Unofficially, Sandra Brown and Lessie Hatton earned enough master points to become "Life Masters" (over 100 master points). Congratulations to Sandra, Lessie and the rest of our local players!

## BRIDGE NEWS

#### By RUDOLPH V. BOONE SR.

Sandra Brown and Inez Geralds. Although no official results have been passed to me, I was informed that Billie Matthews and Ruth Washington teamed up with a couple from Greensboro and tied

for 2/3 place in a Round Robin team game. Also, Inez Geralds teamed up with Arthur Totten (Greensboro) and won a second place. Pauline Caldwell, Sandra Brown and Lessie tied for a 1/2

Kings & Queens Grade "B' Tournament

The Kings and Queens Duplicate Bridge Club will sponsor their annual Grade "B" Tournament on Saturday, July 9. The event will be held at the Dudley Cosmetology University. Registration begins at 9:30 a.m. and the two-session game will follow at 10 a.m. All bridge players are invited to participate.

#### AN APOLOGY

The administration and faculty at North Forsyth High School sincerely regret the omission of John Christopher Ruff's name from it's list of 1994 graduates designated as North Carolina Scholars. We applaud John for the academic excellence that he has maintained for 4 years at North Forsyth and we are pleased to announce that he is indeed one of the North Carolina Scholars

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