



Awarded trophies at John Graham's athletic banquet Wednesday night were (left to right, front row) Jamie Williams, Michele Carroll, Edith Rodwell, Ronald Green, and Alphonso Hopkins. Second row are Delton

Green, Lorraine Williams, Shirley Robinson, Stanley Kearney and Victor Harrison. Top row are Sam Alston, Felix Green, Thomas Taylor, Melvin Robinson and Douglas Stiff. [Staff Photo by Don Stith]

## Central University Coach Is Speaker At John Graham High Athletic Banquet

By DON STITH

High school athletes of John Graham were told that academics should rank above athletics by North Carolina Central Head Football Coach W. S. Smith at the annual sports banquet held Wednesday night in the JGHS gym. Over 200 athletes, parents and guests attended the affair that honored all participants of athletics at John Graham.

Academics above athletics was stressed by Coach Smith as he told the students about a few of his past experiences in the classroom and sports arenas.

"To begin with, who cares that I was once an All-American, that I lettered in three sports at West Virginia State? Nobody, indeed if anyone remembers at all," Smith said. "Playing athletics is super but winning in the classroom should always come first."

"Believe it or not, ladies and gentlemen, one day you'll put on your uniform for the last time and that's when you enter an entirely different world. Running touchdowns or scoring baskets won't count. What will count is your education," he said.

Some of the accomplishments that Coach Smith has recorded since accepting the coaching position at Central include a conference championship, one second place finish and two thirds.

Letters for sports were given to athletes that earned them during the past season by their respective coaches. Coach Jerry Willard commended Victor Harrison, sophomore, for being the only student at John Graham to letter this year in four sports—javee basketball and football, baseball and track. The former Hawkins Junior High performer was also named the most valuable player on the javee basketball team.

This year's recipient of the "Rookie of the Year" award, given to the Hawkins athlete that plays at least two sports (excelling in both) at the feeder school for the Yellow Jackets was given to Melvin Robinson. Robinson played a forward on the Patriots cage squad and was

tapped for the quarterback position last season when both the starting and second team passers were injured. He lead Hawkins to an undefeated season in football.

Jerry Abbott, a local landscaper and statistician for the boys' and girls' basketball teams as well as the Yellow Jacket football squad, was named "Booster of the Year" for his "unselfish dedication to athletics at John Graham."

Following tradition, captains for next season's football team were named. Brownja Alston and Darryl Lyles were named by Frazier as co-captains.

Trophies were presented to the following athletes:

Best Offensive..... Alphonso Hopkins  
Best Defensive..... Stanley Kearney  
Head Hunter..... Stanley Kearney  
Best Blocker..... Sam Alston

**Jayvee Football**  
Best All-Around..... Kelvin Young

**Basketball (Girls)**  
Best All-Around..... Lorraine Williams  
Best offensive..... Michele Carrol

**Basketball (Boys)**  
Best All-Around..... Delton Green  
Best Offensive..... Douglas Stiff  
Best Defensive..... Thomas Taylor

**Jayvee Basketball**  
Best All-Around..... Victor Harrison

**Softball**  
Best All-Around..... Shirley Robinson

**Baseball**  
Best All-Around..... Ronald Green  
Golden Glove..... Delton Green  
Big Stick..... Ronald Green

**Track**  
Best All-Around..... Felix Green

Booster of the Year..... Jerry Abbott  
Rookie of the Year..... Melvin Robinson

## Bromeliads Make Good Low-Care House Plants

House plants occupy such an important place in the overall scheme of American life that you will likely find them in most homes. If your's is one of the exceptions, you may want to give plant growing a try.

Even if you've tried in the past and failed, don't give up. Possibly you were trying to grow one of the more difficult specimens. The next time try something that requires little care, such as Sansevieria, sometimes called the "mother-in-law tongue" or rattlesnake plant.

Philodendron will also survive under the stress of growing indoors, which is described as one of the most

difficult places to grow plants by Henry J. Smith, extension landscape horticulturist at North Carolina State University.

"What's warm enough to be comfortable to us often is too warm for the plant, and the same holds true in cooling in the summer," Smith says. "But there are exceptions," he adds.

Bromeliads are plants attracting a lot of attention these days, partially for their ability to survive and do well inside. Smith says they are adapted to many indoor locations and offer a wide variety of sizes, shapes, foliage and flower color.

Bromeliads are "cousins"

of the gray Spanish moss that grows on some trees in coastal areas. They attach themselves by special roots but are not a parasite like mistletoe. They take no food or nourishment from the tree itself.

One of the unique features of most bromeliads is the vase-like shape of their leaves, resembling pineapple plants. Where the leaf joins the main stalk, it forms a cup which holds water. To water the plant, all you do is pour water into the leaf "vase." This way, you don't have to guess when the plant needs watering. If there is none in the "vase," you add a little. There are nearly 2,000

species of bromeliads. The thick, leathery leaves may be plain, variegated or with a saw-toothed edge. Size of plants ranges from very small grass-like plants to enormous forms which have leaves several feet tall.

Leaf color varies from deep green and purple to gray, pink and even brilliant red.

Blooms may arise from the "vase" or be borne within it. Actual flowers are often small but very colorful. However, the showy part is the brilliantly colored bracts borne below each flower somewhat similar to the poinsettia. The flowers are small and not obvious.

## Operators Must Tell Acreage

By THOMAS E. WATSON  
Operators must report planted acreage of all program crops on all farms. This includes tobacco, cotton, peanuts, wheat, corn, barley and grain sorghums. The operator of a farm is that person listed as operator on ASCS records and received the mail for the farm. No tenant, share-cropper or cash renter can certify or report for the farm unless a "Power of Attorney" form or a written authorization has been filed in our office giving them this authority.

Barley and wheat must be reported before harvest.

Corn and Grain Sorghum must be reported after planting but before September 1.

Failure to report wheat and feed grains will mean a zero planted acreage credit and the farm will be ineligible for 1977 low yield payments. These planted acreage reports are also needed in the event a set-aside program is implemented for the 1978 crop year. Failure to report in 1977 will mean the farm will be ineligible for possible program payments in 1978.

Peanuts and cotton must be reported by July 15. Operators will be asked to furnish the names of persons who have an interest in the peanuts produced on the farm, and the other farms in which each person has an interest. Peanut farmers should be sure they are planted within the farm allotment. Failure to report peanuts will result in zero planting credit and full rate of penalty. Failure to report cotton acreage will make the farm ineligible for a low yield payment or yield adjustment.

Tobacco must be reported by June 14. Failure to report or planting above 110 percent of the effective allotment will mean no price support for the farm.

All operators must report crops on a field by field basis and state the use to which the crop has been or will be put. All farms are subject to a compliance check.

The office will be closed May 30 to observe Memorial Day.

## Merit Exams Are Necessary

Merit examinations must be passed before a person is eligible for employment in any agency under the North Carolina Department of Human Resources. Included in this requirement are jobs in Health and Social Service Departments and Mental Health agencies.

Although stressing that there are no immediate openings in her department, Ms. Carolyn Klyce, Warren County Health Director, urges anyone who might be interested in such a job to take the test as soon as possible. "When there is an opening it will take an applicant at least a month to go through the testing process. If applicants have already taken the test it will be of benefit to the agencies involved as well as the job seeker."

Passing an examination in any one of a large number of job classifications can make a person eligible for employment in Human Resources agencies throughout the state. More information on job classification and examination scheduling is available by calling, toll free, 1-800-662-7094.

## Briefs

At the turn of the century the nation counted about 4,000 millionaires, 1,100 of them in New York. A member of the wealthy Astor family observed, "A man with a million dollars is as well off as if he were rich," according to "We Americans," the National Geographic Society's informal history of the United States.

According to the U. S. Department of Agriculture, Americans will eat more than 30 pounds of hamburger this year.



Participants in the special olympics held in High Point last weekend from Marlan Boyd and Hawkins included (left to right) Herbert Woodard, Jacqueline Townes, Ernest Harris, Richard Townes, Brenda Hayes, Felicia Hunter, Linda Hayes and Jeanette Holden. Jeff Hawkins, teacher, accompanied the group. [Staff Photos]



Mrs. Junell Epanchin and Mrs. LaWana Smith accompanied students from North Warren to the special olympics last weekend. Participants were (front row, left to right) Cheryl Jones, Mrs. Epanchin, Calvin Talley, John Jones. Top row, Bruce Hargrove, Clarence Branch, Thomas Hargrove and Mrs. Smith.

## Warren County Delegation Makes Impressive Showing

Warren County's delegation made an impressive showing in its first appearance in the State Special Olympics meet last weekend, winning 26 medals.

The 20 Warren County participants were competing against some 1100 athletes from 77 counties in North Carolina. They left for High Point College Friday afternoon and returned Sunday.

After the competition on Saturday, they attended a banquet and victory dance. The local program is sponsored jointly by the public school system, the area mental health program, and the Warren County Jaycees.

The participants were accompanied by chaperones Junel and Paul Epanchin, Jeff Hawkins, Beth Punte, Becky Richardson, Luwans Smith and Duncan Munn.

Winners of individual events in the various age

categories were as follows: Ernest Harris, first place, 220 yard dash; second place in softball throw; Jacqueline Townes, seventh in the broad jump and fourth in softball throw; Jeanette Holden, first in 220-yard dash, first in 50-yard dash; Kathy Richardson, second in broad jump and fourth in softball throw; Brenda Hayes, third in broad jump, second 220-yard dash; Linda Hayes, first, softball throw, third, 50-yard dash; Melvin Harris, first, 220-yard dash, second, 50-yard dash; and Alonzo Richardson, fourth, softball throw.

Also, Richard Townes, second, 50-yard dash, third, softball throw; Cheryl Jones, fourth, broad jump, fifth, 50-yard dash; Vernon Alston, third, 50-yard dash, third, softball throw; Calvin

Talley, third, softball throw; Herbert Woodard, third, 50-yard dash; Bruce Hargrove, second, 50-yard dash, first, 220-yard dash; Thomas Hargrove, third, 50-yard dash, first, softball throw; John Jones, seventh, softball throw; Clarence Branch, first, 50-yard dash, third, 220-yard dash; Felicia Hunter, first softball throw, and fourth in broad jump.

## Church Services

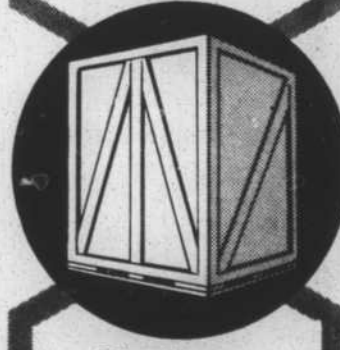
Opportunities to worship at Warrenton Pentecostal Holiness Church on May 29 were announced this week by the Rev. Robert J. Forehand, pastor.

Sunday school, 10 a. m.; Morning Worship, 11 a. m.; Evening Worship, 7 p. m.

Wednesday, June 1 — Family Night—Graded departments for all ages. A special rap session will be held for older teenagers only as well as the Adult Bible Study in the 20th chapter of Revelation. The themes this week will be the Millennial Reign of Christ on the Earth, the Binding of Satan, and the Eternal Destiny of the Wicked.

Everyone is invited to attend.

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## Tammy Roberts Appointed Page

Tammy Louise Roberts of Warrenton has been selected by Speaker Carl J. Stewart, Jr., to serve as a Page in the North Carolina House of Representatives. Her period of service will be from May 23 to May 27. She was appointed by Representative John T. Church of the 13th district. Tammy is a student at Hawkins Junior High School and her parents are Mr. and Mrs. James D. Roberts who live at 403 Rodwell Street in Warrenton.

Iceland has geysers.



Champions of the VFW Softball Tournament held in South Hill, Va., earlier this month were the Little Sticks of Norlina. Here, R. D. Crutchfield hands the trophy to William Leonard, team manager. Little Sticks had to

play four straight games in order to win the title, defeating Crutchfield Landscaping, 11-7, in the championship game.

[South Hill Enterprise Photo]

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