

SMOKE SIGNALS

News Of Warren Academy

It is beginning to look like Christmas at Warren Academy. The lights in the windows look pretty and create a festive appearance at night. The wreaths on the doors look festive, too. The rooms are decorative with scenes of Christmas. Not much time is left before the holidays, and we are looking forward to them with visions of rapture!

We are working hard to complete material so that the resumption of work will be easy after the holidays. When we come back, it will not be long before we have to start thinking of exams. Time goes so quickly; it is hard to believe that a half year will have soon gone by.

The J.V. girls won their game last Wednesday over Hobgood Academy. Congratulations to Lisa Delbridge and Wanda Carroll for being the high scorers. The next game is Wednesday, Dec. 14, at 3:30 p.m. They will be playing Halifax Academy there.

The J.V. boys won their first game over Central Academy. All of the team had a chance to play which caused quite a bit of excitement among the players as well as the fans. Allan Burrows was the high scorer.

The varsity boys and girls won the games Friday night

with Franklin Christian. The teams had two good games. The boys have a win now, so things are looking up for them! Rhonda Reid, Kevin Williams, and David Connell had high scoring in the games.

The teams travelled to Henderson Tuesday night to play Vance Academy. The J.V. boys played also. On Friday night all three teams will be playing at Halifax Academy. The games will start at 6 p.m.

The J.V. cheerleaders are doing an excellent job this year. There are 12 on the squad, and the co-captains are Alison Burgess and Rhonda Robertson. The others are Joanne Robertson, Lee Brinkley, Tonda Lynch, Caroline Shearin, Virginia Davis, Janice Coleman, Lisa King, and Lisa Spragins. The sponsors are Miss Mary Turner, Mrs. Gus Daeke, and Mrs. John Burgess.

The varsity cheerleaders have a large number this year also. The co-chiefs are Jill Wemyss and Rhonda Reid. The others are Elizabeth Newman, Mary Lou King, Robin Burgess, Melody Hilliard, Lisa Haithcock, Beth Harris, Donna Coker, Linda Bobbitt, Cindy Isles, Tonia Seaman. Their sponsors are Mrs. Gladys Wemyss and Mrs. Madge Reid.



Joyeux Noel means "Merry Christmas" in French. French II students at Norlina High School kept pace with the season last week in creating their own greeting cards

in another language. Tacking up the cards above are Maxine Campbell, front, and Tommie Craft. (Staff Photo)

North Warren Gains SACS Accreditation

North Warren School in the Warren County school system was presented for accreditation at the annual meeting of the Southern Association of Colleges and Schools held Sunday through Wednesday in New Orleans.

Primary and secondary schools were presented as new members of the Association at a meeting Tuesday. "Accreditation by the Southern Association represents a measure of excellence over and above the minimum standards required by the state," according to Craig Phillips, State Superintendent of Public Instruction. "It means that the individual school staff is constantly trying to improve and extend their services to children."

A voluntary effort on the part of the school staff, accreditation by the Southern Association requires a self-study using standards and criteria designed by the accrediting agency. Once the self-study is completed, a committee of educators visits the school and files a report which is reviewed by the state accreditation committees and the regional agency.

The Southern Association, one of six regional accrediting agencies in the nation, serves Alabama, Florida, Georgia, Kentucky, Louisiana, Mississippi, North Carolina, South Carolina, Tennessee, Texas and Virginia.

North Warren's efforts complete accreditation for the entire Warren County school system, excluding Hawkins Junior High School.

Superintendent J. R. Peeler said definite plans were being made at the present to develop an accreditation program for Hawkins due to the poor condition of the school's physical facilities.

Peeler said an accreditation team from the Association visited North Warren School this spring and submitted "excellent reports" upon and recommendations to the selection committee.

"I am extremely pleased that the school is accredited and I think that principal W. L. Rose and his faculty did a lot of work."

Preparation for Southern Association Accreditation takes about three years. Principal Rose attended the meeting this week to receive the school's certificate.

Veterans keep getting smarter, VA says. Statistics show 29 percent of World War II vets who used the GI Bill took college training, while 51 percent of their Korean era counterparts used their benefits to go to college. The percentage is up to 57 among those who have used the current GI Bill.



On Campus

News From John Graham

By Terry Thompson

Although the December temperatures have caused most of the activities to become more indoor-oriented, they continue nevertheless.

Mrs. Levister accompanied some 30 students to Hardbarger's Business College in Raleigh on Monday.

The Jackets basketball schedule was indeed full last week. A Friday night game was held at Scotland Neck and the Lady Jackets made amends for last week's defeat by Enfield by easily defeating their opponents, while the boys' lost by only one point. Saturday, both teams easily left northwest behind on home territory. Hope we can report more wins like this after this week's games.

No other game is scheduled for the Lady Jackets until the Holiday Doubleheader on Dec. 28, with Norlina, Fuquay-Varina, and Millbrook participating in the contests.

Yesterday (Wednesday) the John Graham Chorale Society held their annual Christmas Concert entitled, "Christmas Serenade" in the J. G. auditorium. Mrs. Levister recognized parents and special guests with Mr. Terry giving greetings. The vocal ensemble presented excerpts from Handel's

"Messiah," while the choir performed traditional as well as contemporary carols. Ms. Loretta Bullock was the featured soprano soloist.

Mrs. Glendora Powell, directress, also has been following up on her former choir members who now perform in different universities and colleges across North Carolina. These include Liandra Groom and Tony Fields at N. C. Central, who performed in concert last Sunday; Dorothy Davis, Deborah Fore, Lorna Jackson, Lela Silver and Charity Jones, who attend St. Augustine's (Ms. Jones was the featured soprano soloist in concert last Friday night); George King at N. C. State, and Shirley Robinson at A & T State University.

The choir will also travel to Rocky Mount Dec. 20 for the annual Christmas concert at Tarrytown Mall. Tomorrow (Friday) a representative from Elizabeth City State will be at J. G. to talk to interested students.

Vanessa Allen, a representative from N. C. State, will come on Dec. 21 to talk to juniors and seniors interested in the field of engineering.

It goes without saying—next Wednesday is also the day school discontinues for the holidays. Until then, yours truly wishes you a safe and happy holiday season. I'll be back the 5th of January!

Norlina High School ACTIVITIES

By Patricia Hicks



The Norlina District Band participated in the Norlina and Warrenton Christmas parades Saturday afternoon. Also representing Norlina was some of the homecoming court.

Monday, Byard Houck, a professor at N. C. State University and Johnnie Betha, a sophomore at NCSU were at Norlina High. They talked to some of the students on engineering. They recommended this

The Christmas holidays are readily approaching. With it come thoughts of staying in a warm bed and not having to drag yourself outdoors on these cold, cold mornings. All of the students and faculty are looking forward to the break.

Last Friday morning, the Armed Service Vocational Aptitude Battery was given to the entire senior class.

field highly as a prospective career.

Also Monday, Mrs. Lee met with the faculty in the library. She is a representative from WVSP and is working with education.

The Blue Waves are well on their way to having a great season this year. Friday, the varsity teams traveled to Eastman, who had their homecoming game. The girls played well but could not come up with the winning score. The boys drowned their opponents. Tuesday, the Waves travel to Northwest.

The junior varsity teams are also seeing quite a deal of action. Monday, they played North Warren, and Wednesday they played Northwest and Davie.

Don't forget! The blue Wave Chorus will hold their Christmas program at 8 p.m. on Sunday, Dec. 18.

Western N. C. Flood Damages Can Be Seen

Warren County groups and clubs will have the opportunity to obtain an educational slide presentation on flood damages in western North Carolina through a program prepared by the Department of Transportation.

The presentation is now also available to residents in Wake, Durham, Franklin, Granville, Person and Vance counties.

DOT Board member Iley L. Dean noted that the purpose of the slide presentation is to inform area residents about the massive damage done to private property and to the State's highways and bridges during the heavy rains and flooding in early November.

The public may contact the following by telephone to arrange for a presentation to their groups and clubs: Iley L. Dean, 919-286-2833; Division Engineer, C. C. Painter, 919-683-6851; or the Public Affairs Office, Raleigh, 919-733-3463.

Secretary of Transportation Thomas W. Bradshaw, Jr., said, "Our employees have been working around-the-clock to make emergency repairs and to reach isolated homes. We would like for those citizens of North Carolina who are not aware of the extensive damages to see some examples of what happened and to understand what DOT faces in the way of repairs."

GRADE 6: Jule Banzet, Debra Brown, John Clark, Paul Greene, Gina Phillips, and Lou Ann Qualls.

GRADE 7: Lee Brinkley, Wanda Carroll, Paula Hayes, Stewart Johnson, Tonda Lynch, and Joanne Robertson.

GRADE 8: Margaret Ross.

GRADE 9: Alison Burgess

GRADE 10: John Burgess and Jay Johnson.

GRADE 11: Joanne Daniel, Justyn Fleming and Jesse Young.

GRADE 12: Mary Lou King.



The Special Winter Olympics held for learning disabled children of North Carolina last weekend in Henderson gave wins to a number of Warren County students. Shown above, from left, are the local winners: first row-Jane Adams, teacher, Dennis Wharton, John Jones and Becky Richardson, teacher; second row-Fred Rodwell, Virginia Paige and Cynthia Watkins; third row-Eugene Johnson, Odell Harrison and Anthony Jones; back-Princene Owens, teacher. (Staff Photo)

Job Corps Recruitment Set Jan. 13

Recruitment of 16-21 year-old youths for job training at the residential Job Corps centers will be in Warrenton Jan. 13, 1978, at the Neighborhood Community Center.

E. J. Roscoe, Job Corps counselor, will be here that

day to interview prospective applicants.

According to figures released by the state Department of Human Resources, Warren County has had one Job Corps applicant within the last 90 days.

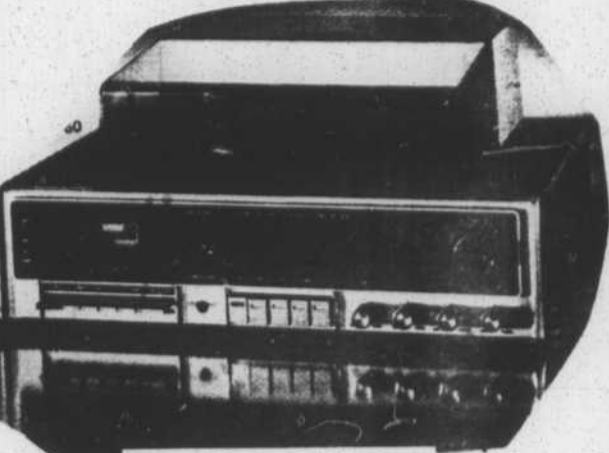
From Vance County,

three applications have been received; from Granville, six; and from Franklin, three.


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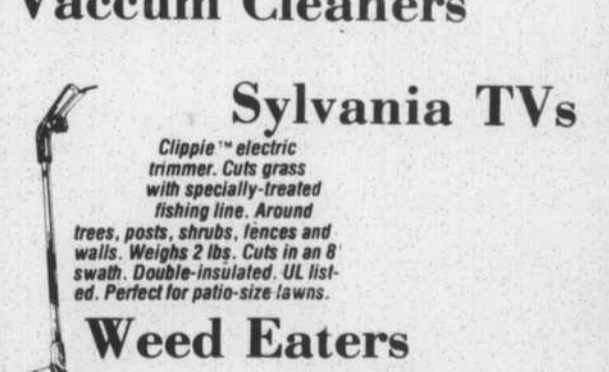
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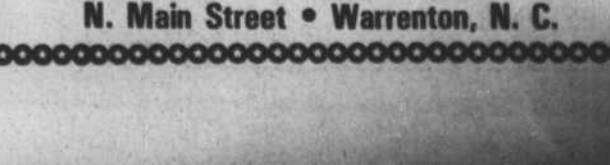
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