

## Agriculturally Speaking

By RUSSELL C. KING  
County Extension Chairman

Fall has again arrived in Warren County, and local trees will again show their beautiful display of color.

Contrary to popular opinion, frost is not the producer of these brilliant autumn leaf colors. If frost comes too soon, it will destroy the color of the leaves.

To better understand what causes fall color, we have to understand the chemical changes that take place in the leaf cells. During the growing season, green chlorophyll in the leaf is used to convert sunshine to energy for food making. Chlorophyll is chemically unstable and must be renewed. Along with the green, there are two yellow pigments, carotene and xanthophyll.

These two pigments are hidden by the green chlorophyll, but become visible as the chlorophyll is reduced.

By early September, there are about three fewer hours of daylight. Nights are long and cool. The sun rays begin to break down the chlorophyll. As it breaks down, the yellow pigments become more prominent. The more brilliant colors in the autumn appear later. Cool nights are a must for the red pigment and formation removal from the leaf. The best fall displays come with bright, sunny September and October days with cool crisp nights.

Take time this year to enjoy the fall colors in Warren County. They only come once a year.

## New 4-H Club Formed Saturday

A new 4-H club was organized Saturday in the home of Mr. and Mrs. Ervin Pettaway, Sr. of the Burchette Community. Sixteen youth joined the club and selected as their name "The Up and Coming Community 4-H Club."

The meeting was called to order by Mrs. Mary T. Pettaway, organizational leader of the club. Mrs. Pettaway discussed the need and interest of having 4-H in the community. Following a brief discussion of the meaning of 4-H, the group elected officers as follows: president, Cheryl Bell; vice president, Linda Pettaway; secretary, Kim Bullock; treasurer, George

Henderson, Jr.; and reporter, Angela Terry.

Other members of the club include: Regina Pettaway, Ervin Pettaway, Garrick Terry, Vanita Henderson, Kathy Henderson, Lesia Williams, Anita Moss, Vanessa Henderson, Pamela Henderson, Wanda Russell, Tayla Sommerville and Jaunita Bullock.

Mrs. Almaren Henderson and Mrs. Ethel Terry were named project leaders of the club and Ervin Pettaway, Sr. will serve as activity leader.

The next meeting is scheduled for Thursday, Oct. 30, at 4:00 p. m. in the home of Mr. and Mrs. Ervin Pettaway, Sr.

## Legion Auxiliary Members Gather

The American Legion Auxiliary met on Oct. 7 in the home of Mrs. Palmer King, with Mrs. Melvin Shearin as co-hostess.

Reports from standing committees were given. The poppy chairman was authorized to order 1,000 poppies for 1983, and the rehabilitation chairman states that our Hospital Representative from the VA Hospital in Durham would visit our unit in December.

Miss Elizabeth Stewart of Kings Mountain, a former department president of the Auxiliary, is a candidate for

national vice president of the Southern Division. If elected, she will serve a term in office during 1984-85. The unit voted unanimously to support Miss Stewart.

Mrs. Gus Daeke, jr. gave a most informative program on education and scholarships and stated she would place a number of copies of "Need A Lift" in the libraries of all local schools to make people aware of the many scholarships available for students. Mrs. Daeke also stated that November 14-20 had been designated as Education Week.



Ivan Barnes, Donald Terry, Reginald Terry and David Hayes, left to right, represented Warren County 4-H at the North Central District 4-H Retreat held October 9-10 at Umstead State Park in Raleigh. (Extension Photo by Woolard)

## First Annual Retreat Held

By DAVID HAYES

Over 60 4-H'ers from the North Central District attended the First Annual Fall Council Retreat at Umstead State Park in Raleigh on October 9-10. The delegates from Warren County included Donald Terry and Reginald Terry of the Embro 4-H Club, Ivan Barnes of the Best Better 4-H Club, and David Hayes, vice president of the County Council and a member of the Snow Hill 4-H Club.

While attending the retreat, delegates participated in workshops on drugs and alcohol, fire safety, traffic safety, farm safety, and first aid. The Warren County delegates conducted a workshop on environmental safety, and were invited to conduct another workshop at the Southwest Dis-

### PCB Letter

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safe as possible. Additionally, the health fears of the citizens living immediately in the vicinity could be removed by health check-ups coordinated by the local health department and the University of North Carolina School of Health.

"The socio-economic situation of Warren County includes: a large percentage of senior citizens and children; a low per capita income and low tax base. Therefore, we currently are strained or unable to provide the needed services required by our population.

"The great publicity and fear associated with the installation of the PCB landfill has the potential of increasing our economic severity. Our industrial efforts are now made more difficult. The cost of monitoring and clean-up (water systems) should not be the burden of Warren County citizens. State and federal funds need to be allocated and reserved for these functions. Additionally, we will need the State's assistance in overcoming the fear with potential industries.

"I believe that the State is committed to ensuring a safe environment and protecting the people of the State. However, the fears and anxieties of Warren County citizens should be considered in that they must live with this installation for years to come.

"Finally, the issues and concerns raised by having to have a PCB landfill (or any other hazardous waste landfill) must be addressed by all levels of government (local, state, and federal) as well as by private industry and the citizens themselves."

trict Retreat.

The workshops were given to make delegates aware of the theme of the state 4-H project, which is safety. All delegates were formally invited to the Eastern Regional Safety Retreat on October 30 to be held at the Jane S. McKimmon Educational Center, N. C. State

## Town Board Meets

(Continued from page 1) two ordinances were passed, one concerned with the operation of gaming rooms in the town and the other passed at the request of EPA concerning the operation of Warrenton's waste water treatment plant, the purpose of which was to assure the government agency that the town would have ample funds to operate the plant. To do this the commissioners raised the sewer rate slightly and slightly lowered the water rate, for no change in the overall rate.

Considerable time was spent in adjusting a model ordinance supplied by the League of Municipalities to Warrenton's needs. At the heart of the ordinance, passed without objection, was that the interiors of all gaming rooms, specifically those with video games, but also pool tables and slot machines, must be visible from front to rear. This means that pool rooms may no longer cover windows and doors with shades, papers or any other form of obstruction of sight.

Mayor White announced that the town had received its Powell Bill in the amount of \$1855.80. He said that this was above the \$1600 estimated in the budget, and that the increase was due to extension of the town limits and to a three-cent increase in the gas tax.

Mayor White also announced that he had recently received a letter from Governor Hunt announcing that Warrenton for the sec-

University campus in Raleigh. The event will be from 10:00 a. m. to 2:00 p. m. and will kick off program for the state 4-H safety project.

All 4-H members and leaders desiring to attend the Safety Retreat should contact Glenn Woolard, associate Extension agent, 4-H, at 257-3640.

ond time had won the Governor's Award for Excellence and offering his congratulations. In addition, he said, he had received a letter from the State Department of Commerce announcing the Governor's Conference on Economic Development from 1:30 p. m. to 6 p. m. on November 3, and the Award's Banquet beginning at 7 p. m. Both events will be held at the Raleigh Civic Center. Mayor White said he hoped the town board would be well represented at both events.

Having received no bids on an advt. for a used police car, the commissioners authorized the Police Department to sell the car at a private sale.

Bill Neal, Superintendent of the Warrenton Water Company, informed that it would be necessary to replace a sewer pipe in the A. C. Fair-Duke Miles neighborhood.

### Group To Meet

The Warren County Unit of North Carolina Retired School Persons invites all those who are retired from the school system and prospective retirees to meet with them in the John Graham School Library on Main Street in Warrenton on Thursday, Oct. 21, from 4 p. m. to 6 p. m.

State officials will present information on changes in the organization's insurance and the advantages of joining the unit to keep in touch with those who have its interest at heart.

### The Public Record

#### Warren Deed Transfers

Mary Alice Perry to W. Irene Woodard, 3.22 acres, Fork Township.  
Helen B. Alston to Phillip Fallais Alston, certain lots, River Township.  
Elizabeth T. Manuel and others to C. W. Robinson, Sr., and wife, 13.21 acres, Nutbush Township.  
Jan Grzelak and others to Mary L. Kearney, certain lots, Warrenton Township.  
Gilbert J. Light, Jr. and wife to Mary Ann Johnston, 1.486 acres,

River Township.  
Eaton's Ferry Estates, Inc. to West Lake Development, Inc., 53.97 acres, River Township.  
Beulah Brent and husband to Peggy Jones and others, .73 acres, Warrenton Township.

Marriage Licenses  
George Edward Bobbitt of Norlina to Lesa Ann Paul of Warrenton.  
Rick Odell Lynch of Macon to Linda Annette Lewis, Vaughan.

### Smoke Signals

## Maidens And Braves Selected

The elementary grades at Warren Academy have been busy preparing for the approaching Fall Festival. They have selected Braves and Maidens to represent each room in grades K-5.

Those selected are: Angela Gardner and Craig Seaman, kindergarten; Wendy Paynter and Kevin Carter, first grade; Natalie Smiley and Chris West, second grade; Hope Callahan and Randy Currin, third

grade; Kyle Fleming and Jason Pittman, fourth grade; and Kristie Robertson and Jamie West, fifth grade.

The winners will be announced at the Fall Festival on November 6. We wish all the contestants good luck!

On Monday, Oct. 18, report cards will go out for the first time. PTO will meet that night at 7:30, and PTC will follow. We urge all parents to attend both.

A new slimnastics class has started at Warren Academy. It meets on Thursdays at 8 p. m. Those who were unable to attend the first meeting are still eligible to enroll in the class. Come and join in the fun.

Thanks are expressed to Walter Gardner for coming to speak to grades K-9 on fire prevention. The students appreciated the many useful materials he distributed.

### At Norlina School

## Shortened Week Was Busy One

By SHELBY SERLS  
Students at NMS are excited that we have our second short week in a row. But last week was as busy as if it had been a full one.

On Wednesday the Library Club elected officers for the year. They are president, Rodney French; vice president, Jackie Massenburg; secretary, Delores Shaw; and treasurer, Joyce Watson. Mrs. McGhee is the sponsor

of the club. On Wednesday we were disappointed that our Blue Waves lost to the Yellow Jackets. However, we are still proud of their winning record. They will play Chalon Middle School at Roanoke Rapids High School athletic field this afternoon (Wednesday) at 4.

On Thursday we received our first Progress Reports for the year. Many of us were

pleased, while some of us didn't want to take them home.

Miss Gloria Kearney has joined our office staff and will be working each afternoon. We are glad that Mrs. Mulchi will have some help, and we welcome Miss Kearney to our school.

Several of our students are planning to go to the State Fair during our long weekend this week. Have a good time.

### At John Graham

## Computer Lessons Are Begun

By EVELYN HALL  
Demian Aycock, a seventh grader at John Graham, was the second winner of \$5 last week, when his picture was drawn from the fishbowl. The \$5 prizes are part of John Graham's first fund raiser this year.

Mrs. Moli Davis, librarian at John Graham, has begun lessons on computers for students. The program, with the theme, "Where Did Pac-Man Come From?" provides a history and the future of computers in today's world. Special guest speakers are expected this week and student projects will be chosen.

John Graham geared up for their first home game of the season, Wednesday, with a pep rally on the football field. Jacket supporters cheered the team to

victory as they defeated the Norlina Blue Waves with a score of 8-0.

Marvin Harrison passed 38 yards to Gary York for a touchdown. Harrison passed to James Howell for the point after touchdown. Harrison had 65 yards rushing to lead the offense.

Donnell Kearney, Jerald Alston and Calvin Alston were the defensive leaders. John Graham travels to Park View on Oct. 13.

### Beef

From feedlot to packer to retailer, a 1,000 pound steer is reduced to about 440 pounds of edible beef.

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