



Interested in art
Hoke County art teacher Martha Warren gives a short demonstration of fingerpainting. After she showed them how, the children went to it. Some of the paintings were very good, some of them were pretty good but no matter. The kids seemed to have had fun.

Summer program helps migrant pupils

By Ed Miller
A special program for the children of migrant workers has been put into practice in Hoke County for the first time this summer.

Subsidized by the federal government, the program is specifically designed to meet the special educational needs of migrant children, according to program director Darlene Clark.

The program helps to provide continuity in the education of these students as well as helping them accelerate their learning, Clark said.

Many of these children, especially the older ones, have to miss school in the late summer and spring because they have to help their parents work, Clark said adding that the summer program allows some of the children to catch up.

Many of the children here in Hoke County live with grandparents or other relatives and at-

tend the summer program while their parents are in neighboring towns or counties or even other states working their seasonal jobs; she said.

The new program in this county consists of a staff of 12 people including teachers, librarians and music and art teachers.

Classes are attended daily by the students and last until 1 p.m., Clark said.

Last Thursday at South Hoke School, children in a class with teacher Steve McNeill were learning about dinosaurs and other animals of the prehistoric era.

"We're going to build an ant farm next week," McNeill said, adding that he is also trying to educate the children about snakes and other things which are not understood by many people.

The art classroom of Martha Warren was strewn with children's renderings of prehistoric life set to clay.

Martha had been showing some of the younger children how to finger paint that day.

Some of these children made an intolerable, but lovely mess, because of their inexperience with painting.

A class of older students have been working with Gay Ivy Barnes, a teacher who recently completed the Orff program held at the Raeford Public Library, learning to play guitars and recorders.

Clark said many of the students do not have the facilities to bathe regularly and that, with the help of towels donated by J.P. Stevens and soap and shampoo given by Faberge, the migrant children at J.W. Turlington school have been taking showers.

"They love it. Some of them want to take showers every day," she said.

Migrant children have enjoyed things this summer that they might not have experienced without the

summer program.

They have seen a special performance of "Broadway Our Way," the summer youth theatre production, visited the North Carolina Zoological Park in Ashboro and enjoyed making (and eating) ice cream, a function they can take home to their families, said Clark.

A local Raeford family has donated the use of their swimming pool for the kids, she said.

Ending on August 10, the special program has offered treats and educational experiences to these children that they could never have found working in a field.

The families of these children should be commended for working for what they have, but most educators believe a child's mind requires a kind of work and exercise that can be found only in a classroom.

Hoke County's new migrant children's program is trying to give them the exercise their minds need.

Hoke receives funds for secondary roads

The North Carolina Board of Transportation, at its monthly meeting here today, approved over \$45.4 million for secondary road construction improvements statewide.

The funds, which were allocated on a county-by-county basis, were appropriated by the North Carolina General Assembly earlier this month. The legislative's action guaranteed that 1-3/8 cents of the

states 12-1/4 cents per gallon gas tax will be used for secondary road improvements.

Board members have been meeting with the 100 county boards of commissioners in public meetings across the state to review and approve projects to utilize these funds.

According to Secretary E.R. Roberson Jr., as of January 1, 1984 Hoke County has 37.55 miles

unpaved secondary roads. The total unpaved secondary system statewide contains 18,188 miles. Hoke County's share of the secondary road allocation approved by

the board today is \$93,856.

North Carolina's secondary road system is composed of 59,611 miles.

TMH camp offered new experiences

By Carolyn Pagan
The "Sunny Day Camp" provided fun and exciting new experiences for Hoke County's Multi-Handicapped Students this summer.

The camp met at Upchurch Jr. High 12 days.

After reviewing skills learned during the regular school year, the students would get on the buses, and head out for fun and adventure.

The activities included: swimming, movies, miniature golf, video games, playing in parks, picnics, cook-outs, nature walks, arts and crafts, and a trip to eat pizza and homemade ice cream.

All of this was made possible

through the generous efforts of sponsors: the Parent and Volunteer Group for Trainable Multi-Handicapped Students of Hoke County.

A group which began with four persons three years ago who had the idea of a Halloween Carnival only two weeks before Halloween, has gained the support and help of many Hoke County citizens and raised enough money through the carnivals to be the sole supporter of "Sunny Day Camp."

The camp would not have been possible without the help of: Mrs. Vicki Wright, Mrs. Janice Brock, and Hoke County School personnel Allen Edwards, Dr. Linwood Simpson, Mrs. Ivey Thigpen, Mrs. Clara Pope and Dr. Jenny Hayes.

Hearings on 'Farm Bill' scheduled for Monday

North Carolina Agriculture Commissioner, James Graham, will testify at the U.S. House of Representatives Agriculture Committee hearings to be held in Stanly County July 30.

The committee will be in North Carolina at the request of Congressman Bill Hefner.

House Agriculture Committee Chairman, Kika de la Garza of Texas and other committee members will conduct the day long hearing. It is designed to get input from central North Carolinians for the 1985 Farm Bill.

the various commodities. The committee also will be hearing from farm credit officials and implement dealers.

A luncheon is being hosted by private donors. If you plan to attend, notify your county agriculture agent in advance.

The hearings will be held at Pfeiffer College in Misenheimer at the campus gymnasium on July 30. Pfeiffer College is located on Highway 52 North, Stanly County. The hearing is scheduled to begin at 10 a.m. and be over by 4 p.m.

Deaths & Funerals

John L. Hollingsworth
John Lee Hollingsworth, 62, of East 6th Street in Raeford, died Saturday morning after a long illness at V.A. Hospital in Fayetteville.

He is survived by three brothers: Marion Hollingsworth, Aron Hollingsworth and Thomas Hollingsworth, all of Raeford.

Funeral arrangements were incomplete.

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