



**RECEIVES AWARD** - Deborah Beasley, health educator with the Duplin County Health Department in Kenansville, has been awarded a certificate of appreciation by the East Carolina University department of community health, school of allied health. Making the presentation to Miss Beasley is ECU Chancellor John M. Howell.



Joe Lanier

## SON of A gun

There were a couple of surveys to come out recently that I thought were interesting. One was about getting angry or mad. At one time it was said those who bottle up their mad feelings were headed for health troubles, and those who let their feelings burst out would be healthier. Now it seems there is no difference. You are in trouble in both incidents. . . It is not healthy to get mad. . . Why, heck, I knew that all the time. There was no need to spend all that time and moeny to find out getting angry was not healthful. . . And about that first thought of those shouting and raving when they get mad — Well, I knew that was not all that good either. . . If the feeling didn't do you harm, then the person to whom you were shouting and raving would probably do you harm. . . When you go around shouting and yelling, someone else is likely to let their mad feelings out in the form of a fist in the kisser. . .

Speaking of kisser — the other survey was about kissing. I like that much more than mad or angry. This survey found that people who kiss stay young longer. . . That soft drink that advertises about drink it and stay young is not so. But this kissing bit makes sense. According to the study, when one kisses it stimulates activity inside one that is good for health's sake. . . It makes the heart speed up and also causes chemical reactions to take place. . . That tingly feeling? . . . So, the

more you kiss, the better off you are. . . Of course, make sure it is your wife you are kissing or you may cause the first survey about being mad and angry to add another statistic. It is no good staying young if someone is going to get mad and do away with you — or smash your face. . .

It is according to where you are as to what is good and what is bad. The movie "ET" for example. In Sweden youngsters are not allowed to see the movie. However, according to the report, they are lining up about their age and sneaking into in to see th, while here in the USA, the youngsters are lying about their age and sneaking in to see the Swedish nudity films. . .

I saw a sign the other day near Raleigh that was dear to my heart since I am in the business of sign painting. . . It said, "A business without a sign is a sign of no business." . . . Son-of-a-Gun. . .

### Pink Hill Student Appointed To Committee At MOC

Wesly DeWayne Jenkins, a freshman at Mount Olive College, has been appointed to serve on the student activities committee.

DeWayne, the son of Mr. and Mrs. Paul Jenkins, is from Pink Hill. He plans to major in art.

## Customers Increase At Mobile Home Centers

By Emily Killete

Mobile home sales lots are receiving 50 percent more potential buyers than 60 days ago, owners of Duplin sales centers say. Interest rates on mobile home loans have declined from a high of 20 percent on financing to today's low of 14 percent under the Veterans Administration.

"I feel things are beginning to look up now," Hilton Maready, owner of Warsaw's M & M Mobile Home Sales, said. "The drop in interest rates is showing up in the amount of customers coming to our sales lot." M & M Mobile Home Sales is staffed by Maready and two salesmen and they greet approximately 20 potential buyers a week. The salesmen can offer customers on-the-lot financing, a service offered by most mobile home sales centers in Duplin. Customers can choose from FmHA or VA or conventional financing. A down payment of 10 percent is required in most conventional financing, which also posts a higher rate of interest than FmHA and VA. Conner Homes, currently has a 720 square-foot home

which can be financed to qualified applicants for a monthly payment of \$155. Before the drop in lending rates, the same unit required more than a \$200 monthly payment on a 15-year loan, explained Maready, owner of a Conner sales center. The drop in the interest rate makes monthly payments more affordable and brings customers with a more positive attitude.

"We are getting a lot of shoppers looking for the best deal on a mobile home," Billy Byrd, owner of B and C Mobile Homes of Beulaville said. "At an interest rate of 18 percent, we had mostly lookers."

Byrd has operated the mobile home sales center three years. He feels the purchase of a mobile home can be a wise investment. A used 1975 model home would have cost \$6,000-\$7,000 new and can be sold today for the original purchase price or equal trade-in value toward another mobile unit. Byrd explained. B and C Mobile Homes stocks approximately 15 to 20 units ranging in size from 12'x40' to 28'x60'. The sales center recognized a sales increase during December and have sold 10 homes during January.

The average size of mobile homes sold today is 920 square feet, explained Greg Miller, owner of Carolina Mobile Homes in Beulaville. The cost of the 920-square-foot home will range between \$13,000 and \$17,000. And, repairs to most new mobile homes will not cost over \$200 a year, Miller estimates. Most mobile home repairs result from small leaks in water lines and roofing sealing. Dealing five years in mobile homes sales, Miller stocks 40 used and 10 new units.

### POULTRY DROPPINGS FUEL FIRE IN BOILER

From the News and Observer

ROSE HILL (AP) - A local poultry processing plant is planning to save on fuel to fire plant boilers by using chicken and turkey droppings.

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