

# Indian Summer Festival Plans are being finalized

In just two weeks Perquimans County will once again be celebrating the Indian Summer Festival. The Festival will be held Friday and Saturday, September 11 and 12 in downtown Hertford and at Missing Mill Park. This year the festival will provide entertainment, arts and crafts, and food booths for everyone's enjoyment.

Friday has been designated 'Colonial Day' and will be highlighted by downtown sidewalk sales in Hertford from 9:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m. Merchants will have historical displays in their store windows, and there will be drawings for prizes donated by the merchants.

WZBO will be broadcasting live and will conduct the Coca Cola scavenger hunt and the Mystery Man con-



test throughout the day.

Senior citizens of the community will be displaying arts and crafts they've made and voting for the Papoose (baby) contest will be going on from 9:00 a.m. until 6:00 p.m. at the Senior Citizens Center on Grubb Street.

Clowns will be walking on the streets and portraits by Meta will be displayed on the courthouse green for the enjoyment of both youngsters and adults.

Music will be provided by Bruce Todd and the Perquimans County High School Band will be on hand Friday around noon to give a performance.

There will be fashion show at 3:30PM and at 4:00 Miss Indian Summer Festival will be crowned.

A Sidewalk Cafe sponsored by the Chamber of Commerce will be located on the courthouse green selling hot dogs, hamburgers and french fries for lunch, and at 5:00 PM there will be a fish fry in the park. The fish fry will be handled on a first come first served basis, there will be no tickets sold ahead of time. Plates will be \$3.25 and include fish coleslaw and hushpuppies.

Saturday has been entitled Pow Wow Day and activities will kick off at 8:30 AM at the Hertford Grammar school with the Indian Summer 5K run. Cost to enter the race will be \$6.00 prior to the day of race and \$7.00 that morning. Participants will receive a tee-shirt.

Events will begin at the park around 10:00 a.m. Arts and craft

booths will once again offer a wide selection of crafts to choose from. Local residents will display wrought iron lamps, yarn produced on local farms, pottery and decoys just to mention a few.

Chowan Hospital will have a health care display and they will be conducting free hemocrits, blood sugars and blood pressure screening for festival visitors.

The Edenton Optimist club will be have the ever popular train ride for the kids and animated animals sponsored by C&K Meats of Belvidere will be on parade.

The tug o'war will begin at noon and is being sponsored by WZBO and Coke. There is a weight limit of 1,000 lbs. or 5 members. Cost is \$25.00 per team and teams will receive trophies

and a tee-shirt. Teams for the tug o'war are still needed.

The Flatland Cloggers will be back by popular demand this year along with the Atlantic Fleet Band who will perform at 5:00 p.m.

The annual pig pickin' will begin at 5:00 p.m. and will cost \$4.00. The menu includes BBQ, potato salad, coleslaw and rolls.

The day will end with a street dance from 6:00 p.m. until 10:00 p.m. in the park. In keeping with town regulations and signs posted in the park absolutely no alcoholic beverages will be permitted.

Overall the festival looks to be a good time for all so make plans to be in Hertford September 11 and 12 for all the fun.

## School opened Monday

Perquimans County schools opened smoothly Monday with an opening day enrollment of 1,795 students.

This figure represents and increase of 25 to 30 students over last year's enrollment figures.

Pat Harrell, Superintendent of the county schools stated that he expects the enrollment will jump to over 1800 students when all the children return to school this year.

'The day went very smoothly,' said Harrell, 'students had been notified ahead of time of their room assignments, and it was very organized. It was a credit to the principals and their staff that things went so well.'

Harrell stated the students would be dismissed at 1:30 on Monday and again on Thursday of last week due to meeting scheduled for the teachers.

'Early dismissal on other days because of the heat will be handled on an individual basis,' said Harrell.

Dismissal is set at 1:30 p.m. so that teachers can follow alternate schedules that have been set up by the principals of the schools.

The buses in the county traveled safely and on schedule Monday without reported incidents.

Overall the school year in Perquimans County started out on the right foot.



School opened on Monday. Teachers and students returned to Hertford Elementary and Central school for the new year with few problems.



## Perquimans County school sets lunch policies

The Perquimans County Board of Education today announced its policy for free and reduced price meals for children unable to pay the full price of meals served under the National School Lunch, and or School Breakfast Programs. Each school and the central office has a copy of the policy, which may be reviewed by any interested party.

These are the income scales used for determining eligibility for free and reduced price meals.

Children from families whose income is at or below the levels shown are eligible for free or reduced price meals.

Application forms are being sent to all homes with a letter to parents or guardians. To apply for free or reduced price meals, households should fill out the application and return it to the school. Additional copies are available at the principal's office in each school. The information provided on the application will be used for the purpose of determining eligibility. Household income may be verified at any time during the school year by school or other program officials.

FOR ADDITIONAL HOUSEHOLD MEMBER ADD

FAMILY SIZE	FREE MEALS			REDUCED PRICE MEALS		
	YEARLY	MONTHLY	WEEKLY	YEARLY	MONTHLY	WEEKLY
1	\$6,968	581	\$134	\$9,916	\$827	\$191
2	9,412	785	181	13,394	1,117	258
3	11,856	988	228	16,872	1,406	325
4	14,300	1,192	275	20,350	1,696	392
5	16,744	1,396	322	23,828	1,986	459
6	19,188	1,599	369	27,306	2,276	526
7	21,632	1,803	416	30,784	2,566	592
8	24,076	2,007	463	34,262	2,856	659
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For the school officials to determine eligibility, the household must provide the following information listed on the application: names of all household members, social security numbers of all adult household members or a statement that the house-

hold member does not possess one; total household income; and the signature of an adult household member certifying that the information provided is correct.

## Former Gov. Sanford visits Hertford for reception

Stressing clean and positive campaigning, the issues facing today's farmers, and balancing the budget, former Gov. Terry Sanford visited Perquimans County on his campaign tour of Northeastern North Carolina.

Sanford also stressed the importance of young people to his campaign during his visit at the home of Lucille Winslow, Thursday, August 21st in Hertford.

Sanford stated that we can no

longer wait to develop a new farm policy, and that this would be a number one priority as a senator.

'Farm credit has been a major problem facing farmers' stated Sanford, 'now it is causing many farmers to lose their businesses.'

Sanford said that in the past farm credit has been handled on a year to year basis, and that the current farm policies have been patched enough.

'We need to change the way farmers get credit' said Sanford. 'We need to change regulations and extend credit to the farmers over a longer period of time.' Sanford also stated that he has formed an advisory council composed of farmers to help him work on new farm policies.

Sanford said that there are many factors to be considered in laying out the new farm policies. 'There are several factors such as world markets and prices to consider,' stated Sanford. 'There is no ready or quick answer to the problem facing farmers, all the factors must be weighed,' he said.

Sanford also briefly addressed the financial problems of the federal government. He stated that the pressure is on to balance the federal budget. 'We must have courage to cut the budget,' said Sanford.

'The budgeting systems must be restructured so that it can be scrutinized line by line,' he said.

Sanford said that the budget must be balanced from a democratic point of view. 'We need to take care of people who need our help,' he stated.

Addressing the changes being made in the tax bill this year Sanford stated that he felt it was a good approach. He cautioned that the county will suffer side effects, and adjustments may be necessary to the new bill. He stated that with an awareness of the necessary adjustments he supports the bill. 'We will see the need for adjustments,' he said, 'but we must be careful not to put back the loopholes.'

Sanford also feels the democratic party must be made stronger with young people taking a more active role in decisions.

'The history of North Carolina is the history of the Democratic Party,' said Sanford.

The former Duke University President stressed that he will run a positive campaign and will not be involved with negative political ads. Sanford feels that with everyone working together there will be a great victory in November.



Terry Sanford is talking with supporters and guests at the reception held Thursday in Hertford at the home of Mrs. Lucille Winslow.

## James challenges officials

Representative Vernon James issued a verbal challenge to members of the North Carolina Department of Transportation to increase spending in the area on roads during a meeting of county officials from six counties Friday at G&S Seafood in Hertford.

Stating that the area is not getting its fair share of the appropriated highway funds, James urged DOT officials to quit making excuses and start approving highway projects in the Albemarle area.

James stated that the DOT has the money available but is always making excuses or delaying approval of the area's highway projects. 'You have the money available, but when Northeastern North Carolina needs a few little projects, you say, you don't have the money,' said James. 'I'm telling you I want equity. It's time for you to act,' James stated.

Representative James also stated that the DOT has their work cut out for them, and strongly suggested that they get on the ball and get some things done in the region before much longer.

Kenneth Roberson, DOT division representative stated that it is difficult to get state officials to approve money for projects in Eastern North Carolina due to the largely farm population.

'We're all farmers here, and I'll be darned if you can raise money for farmers' stated Roberson.

'The general assembly is going to look very closely at the distribution of highway monies' stated James.

James said that he expected the representatives to act. 'I can tell you

that you have your work cut out for you, and you'd better get on with it,' he said.

Earl Rountree, DOT representative, stated tourism as a need for better roads in the Albemarle region, but urged all county officials to improve local tourist attractions. 'We've got to build roads to get the tourists in here, but it's up to you to give them something to do once they're here,' said Rountree. 'We've got great untapped resources. Every county in the region has something to offer.'

Discussion between the groups present at the meeting centered largely on road projects in Chowan and Perquimans county but other questions were fielded by the DOT officials.

George Wells, State Highway Administrator stated that US 17 between Hertford and Woodville is on scheduled, and will go to contract sometime in 1988.

Wells stated that the Department of transportation is committed to US 17, but federal fund cutbacks are affecting all the states highway projects.

Wells stated that the department has already received notification of a \$30 million dollar cut in highway road funds, and added that there may be more.

DOT officials stated that the purpose of Friday's meeting was to keep an open line of communication with county officials in the area.

Before and after the meeting the DOT officials toured the six counties to assess problems and needs of the regions roads.

## White nominated to board

WINSTON SALEM—Perquimans County Commissioner W.W. White has been elected to serve a one-year term on the Board of Directors of the North Carolina Association of County Commissioners.

He was elected to the post during the Association's 79th Annual Conference here on August 14-17.

White represents Association District 1 which includes the counties of Tyrrell, Hyde, Dare, Washington, Chowan, Gates, Perquimans, Pasquotank County, Camden, and Currituck. He fills a vacancy left by Pasquotank County Commissioner Bill Owens who has been elected to the Board of Directors of the National Association of Counties.

## COA holds graduation

ELIZABETH CITY—A 'Voice out of the Past' congratulated 72 College of The Albemarle graduates last Wednesday night, thanking them for helping assure the college's 25 years of success through their achievements as students. Eight Perquimans County residents were among those honored.

'In the final analysis,' said Charles M. Gordon, 'It is you who have made the requirements...and it is you who drive us forward.'

The Elizabeth City businessman led a committee that worked tirelessly toward the charter of COA as the first institution in the N.C. Community College System. He served as the college's first board of trustee's chairman from 1960 until 1965.

Paraphrasing Shakespeare, Gordon told the graduates, and approximately 600 others who had assembled in the S.L. Sheep Auditorium to witness the summer commencement. 'The world is a stage, and you are forever acting out a one-person performance. Your peers are your critics, and they are severe, indeed!'

He pointed out that unlike professional actors, others do not have offstage time to work on script and scene changes. 'You do not have a day off from your theatrical run,' said Gordon. 'Day in and day out, you are required to adjust to comedy, to tragedy, and to the whole spectrum of the human condition.'

Gordon admonished the graduates to learn from the mistakes of preceding generations. 'Those who fail to profit from history, are doomed to repeat it,' he warned.

He urged the assembly not to become involved in another Vietnam, saying that if his generation had listened to the warnings of young people, the country would have avoided

the 'unconscionable tragedy' that resulted in the waste of 58,000 American lives.

The speaker urged his audience not to believe those who say young people have it easy today. 'I can think of few times in history when there were more challenging problems to be solved than you face today,' he said.

Among the many problems to be resolved, Gordon cited drug abuse as foremost, calling it 'an insidious cancer on the face of society.' He pointed out the dangers caused by workers who use drugs while on the job as a tangible threat to public safety.

Gordon encouraged the graduates to take an active interest in politics. He said some might involve themselves in the political arena.

'Others of you will have to content yourselves with exercising your power through the ballot box,' he said. 'Never, never underestimate this power.' He pointed out that its threat prevented Lyndon Johnson from seeking reelection, and 'the mortal fear of it caused an explosion in the brain of Richard Milhous Nixon.'

Dean of instruction Norman L. Norfleet presented each candidate as Dr. Parker Chesson, Jr., COA president, and board of trustees chairman J. Wilson Jones, Jr. conferred degrees. Perquimans County graduates included: Pamela C. Blount, cosmetology; Levi Brothers, Jr., air conditioning, heating, and refrigeration; Bobby B. Butler, summa cum laude, and Yosiah M. Lord, light construction; A. Wayne Corpew, pre-business administration; Thomas E. Harris, Jr., machinist trades; Donna O. Pierce, summa cum laude, electrical installation and maintenance, and Lloyd E. Riddick, cum laude, advanced machinist trades.