

School news

Perquimans County High School Dateline.



College of The Albemarle's national scholastic fraternity, Phi Theta Kappa, recently held an induction ceremony for students who qualified based on their high scholastic standing, character, leadership, and service while at COA. Belvidere resident Paula Kay Winslow, a Business Computer Programming student, was one of the inductees.

Letters, cont.

Dear Editor:
 Wednesday January 18, 1989 three buses filled with excited and enthusiastic band students, band director, band parents and other chaperones and residents of Perquimans County departed from the Perquimans County High School Band Room. The band was going to Washington, D. C. to participate in the 1989 Bicentennial Presidential Inaugural Parade. They were not the only ones going though, because in a short period of a few weeks over \$17,000 was raised thanks to the love and caring of all the individuals, groups, clubs, businesses and churches—in spirit they also were going to Washington!

As the buses passed the Washington Monument on the way to the hotel, a huge and beautiful fireworks display began and all the students said "They knew we were coming and this is our welcome into town."

Thursday morning began with a trip to the Capitol Building to meet with a photographer to have a group band picture taken. After the picture, the group returned to the hotel to change clothes and prepare for a day of sightseeing in Washington, D. C. There was not enough time for all to see and do everything, but as many sights as possible were taken in. Some went inside the Washington Monument and Lincoln Memorial, to the Viet Nam Wall to find the names of relatives and friends, some went ice skating, some even saw Dan Quayle as he arrived at the Museum of American History, some went to the Air and Space Museum and other Smithsonian attractions and some were given a tour inside the Capitol Building. Everyone had a very enjoyable and memorable time.

Thursday night the band held a rehearsal at the hotel pool area and a large crowd of spectators both from the group and others staying at the hotel watched, listened and applauded. After the rehearsal, Perquimans County School Superintendent Dr. Mary Jo Martin addressed the students and told them how proud she and the entire community was of them.

Friday morning at 7:30 a.m. the group arrived at the Pentagon parking lot to receive final instructions before heading to their final destination at 1201 Pennsylvania Avenue where they played for two Presidents (Reagan and Bush) and then they had front row seats to view the 1989 Bicentennial Inaugural Parade as it proceeded from the Capitol Building to the White House.

While the band played its music and the crowd of spectators listened and sang along, a very impressive blue and white Bicentennial Inaugural banner hung on a pole above them. This banner is now hanging in the Band Room.

Saturday morning the entire group departed the Best Western Hotel and drove by the White House and Capitol Building for one last look. They went by the Lincoln Memorial and crossed the Arlington Memorial Bridge on their way to tour the Arlington National Cemetery. They saw the grave of John F. Kennedy with the eternal flame burning and arrived at the Tomb of the Unknown Soldier in time to witness the impressive ceremony, the changing of the Guard. This truly was a very fitting ending to a trip and experience that was enjoyed by all and will not be forgotten for a long, long time.

The band's trip to the 1989 Bicentennial Presidential Inaugural was made possible by the combined efforts of the entire community. Yes, it was the band that received the invitation, but due to the pride, love and caring of everyone who gave money, time, food, cookies and other goodies, this venture was made possible.

Once again, thanks to EVERYONE that helped make it possible. We can be proud of this group of young people. They truly represented us well!

The February 1 bloodmobile at PCHS was very successful. Eighty-one students went to the gym between 10:00 a.m. and 2:00 p.m., willing to donate a "pint of life" to the Red Cross. Fifty-seven pints were collected.

Thirteen students volunteers and six community helpers assisted during the drive. The Home Economics classes made peanut butter and jelly sandwiches to serve the donors and helpers.

Laurie Horner, Red Cross Field Representative for Perquimans County, was very impressed with the students. She visited the school earlier in the year and explained the great need for blood donations, and helped to dispel the myths associated with giving blood.

She labeled the PCHS blood drive the best in which she had ever been involved, thanks to the maturity displayed by the students. Horner said she was very impressed with the behavior she witnessed.

Those students who attempted to donate were: Robert Boyce, Kevin Knowles, Sean Bloodworth, Reggie Trueblood, JoJo Parker, Bennie Everett, Georgette Drozdowski, Kathy Warden, Carl Terranova, Christy Waters, Jennifer Kraft, Tanya Twine, T.G. Weeks, Jeff Nixon, Jamie Westover, Che Sutton, Tyrone Johnson, Tim Byrum, Andrea Bass and Kathy White.

Also, Angie Mallory, Tonja White, Karen Hollowell, Lisa Rennie, Nicole Cooper, Tim Corprew, Wayne Long, Aaron Saunders, Rosa White, Dean Boyce, Bill Jennings, Wanda Harrell, David Abernathy, Stan Griffin, Kenneth Waters, Derrick Rogers, Lori White, Patrick Simmons, Chad Nixon, Deana Shively, Robert Winslow, Brice Shirey, Tammy Willetts, Vincent Wood, Lisa Webb and Theda Everett.

In addition to Cornelius Mack, Irvin Everett, Catherine Walker, William Turner, Vivian Howell, Marc Combs, William Fowler, Christine Carson, James Felton, Richard Snow, Kevin Sawyer, Fenton Cartwright, Jimmy Sadowski, Darrell Jones, Sidra Hooks, Eric Wills, Mike Fish, Ryan Overton and Tyvoice Coston.

And Keith Wilson, Yvette Leigh, Angel Vaughan, Sharla Ward, Tammy Stanley, Jody Cohee, Brian Chappell, Tisha Turner, Dawn Dougherty, Melissa White, Jamie Westover, Jackie Ward, Sharla Prebble, Ersal Overton, Tracy Cohen and Becky Worley.

Assistant Principal Henry Felton, Athletic Director Spencer White, teacher Kay Whitley and former maintenance engineer Curtis Lightfoot also supported the students by going to give blood.

Student Red Cross assistants were Andrea Bass, Dawn Benton,

Angie James, Tracie Brown, Nancy Boynton, Derrick Rogers, Christy Waters, Cornelius Mack, Brice Shirey, Tisha Turner, Carl Terranova, Paula Stallings and Lori White.

Those from the community who assisted were Emma Byrum, Betty Beers, Mary (Sam) Hare, Ruby Bateman, Betty Ann Thach and Lillian Elliott.

Competency testing
 On February 13, 14 and 15, tenth grade students will take a competency test, along with eleventh and twelfth grade students who were unsuccessful in their previous attempts on the test. The State Board of Education has mandated that all students attending an accredited high school must pass the basic competency test in order to receive a diploma. The test was initiated to insure that all graduates have basic skills.

"The test is survival skills," said Guidance Counselor Elaine Pritchard. It involves fundamentals such as reading a menu and understanding electric bills.

In 1988, all graduates passed the test.

Heart Fund
 The entire school is raising money for the Heart Fund. In addition to the King and Queen of Hearts Dance on February 11 at 8:00 p.m., some of the other activities include: Miss Ward's homeroom-balloon raffle; Mrs. Wood's homeroom-Valentine's candy raffle; Mrs. Brickhouse's homeroom-car wash and \$30 Belk's gift certificate raffle.

The individual male and female students who raise the most money will be crowned King and Queen of Hearts at the dance. The top homeroom will be treated to a pizza party.

Girls' basketball
 Grammar school chums Harrell Thach and Billy Stallings met head-to-head on the basketball court at PCHS Friday night. Thach led the Lady Pirates to a 41-34 win over Stallings' Lady Knights of Currituck in a fast-paced contest.

The Pirates' Linda Pettaway did an excellent job defensively, holding Currituck's Lisa Berry to only four points. Pettaway also contributed 11 points, 13 rebounds, four assists and two steals to lead the Pirate efforts. She has been consistently strong throughout the season.

"She showed what a senior can do during the game," said Coach Harrell Thach. "She showed a lot of maturity."

Although she might have added only three points to the effort, Deborah Coston made the basket and foul shot at a crucial time for the Pirates. "We were just up by four and she put it on back up to seven,"

Host families for students sought

Host Families are being sought for 25 high school students from Sweden, Norway, Denmark, Finland, Holland, Austria, Switzerland, Germany, Spain, France, Italy, Brazil, Ecuador, New Zealand, Australia and Japan for the school year 1989-90 in a program sponsored by the American Intercultural Student Exchange (AISE).

The students, age 15 through 17, will arrive in the United States in August 1989, attend a local high school, and return to their home countries in June 1990. The students, all fluent in English, have been screened by their school representatives in their home countries.

Scholarship deadline set

High school students who are interested in applying for \$1,000 college scholarships should request applications by March 16, 1989 from Educational Communications Scholarship Foundation, 721 N. McKinley Road, Lake Forest, Illinois 60045. To receive an application, students should send a note stating their name, address, city, state and zip code, approximate grade point average and year of

tries and have spending money and medical insurance. Host Families may deduct \$50 per month for income tax purposes.

AISE is also seeking American high school students age 15 and 17, who would like to spend a high school year in Sweden, Norway, Denmark, Germany, Switzerland, France, Spain, New Zealand or Australia or participate in a five week summer host family stay throughout Western Europe including Ireland.

Families interested in this program should telephone toll free: 1-800-SIBLING.

graduation. Sixty-five winners will be selected on the basis of academic performance, involvement in extra-curricular activities and need for financial aid.

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Thach said. Sonya Wilkins added nine points, five assists and three steals during the evening, while Tonya Privott scored six points and captured 11 rebounds. Tina White contributed 10 points, and eight rebounds.

Earlier in the week, the girls traveled to Camden and dealt the Lady Bruins a 53-32 loss. Freshman Shereka Privott scored 11 points in that contest, and according to Thach "played a real solid ballgame."

Thach said the first team played only about one and one-half quarters of that game, giving the second string some much-needed court time.

On Wednesday Manteo overwhelmed the Lady Pirates with a 87-59 defeat. Thach said the Redskins were "hot," hitting 75 percent from the floor, and 79 percent from the free-throw line. Although the Pirates had a 15-3 lead in the first quarter, they could not hold on as the Manteo team seemed to hit every shot.

"I wasn't disappointed at all," said Thach of the loss.

The Lady Pirates are averaging 56 points per conference game, and have won 15 straight conference games at home. "We're pretty

solid when you play us at home," Thach said.

Jayvee basketball
 The Jayvee team got handed three losses last week at the hands of Camden, Manteo and Currituck. But there was a bright spot in the games, according to Coach Jack Berryhill. "Anthony Turner has just really been playing good basketball," he said. Ferebee scored 13 against Camden, 12 against Manteo and seven in the Currituck match-up.

The Jayvees fell to a 1-12 record, losing to Camden 69-51, Manteo 68-59 and Currituck 69-42.

"We should have won in Manteo," said Berryhill. "We fouled out four of our starters. It was a real closely called game," he added.

In Tuesday night's game, Roy Lee Ferebee scored 13 points, and in the Manteo contest, he added 18 points. Rick Godfrey contributed nine points to the Currituck efforts. INSERT BEFORE BASKETBALL

Vocational Month
 Vocational students will observe National Vocational Month in February by participating in a fair at Southgate Mall on February 15-18.

County school meal menus

The following is the Perquimans County School menu for the week of February 13-17, 1989.

Monday—breakfast—pop tart or cereal, fruit or juice, milk.

Lunch—cheeseburger or veal cutlet-bun, French fries, baked beans, brussel sprouts, mixed fruit, milk.

Tuesday—breakfast—pecan twirls or cereal, fruit or juice, milk.

Lunch—sloppy Joe or hot dog, cheesy potatoes, limas, battered squash, fruit, milk, valentine treat.

Wednesday—breakfast—scrambled eggs-cheese biscuit or cereal, fruit or juice, milk.

Lunch—sausage biscuit or peanut butter-jelly sandwich, alphabet fries, tossed salad, vegetable soup, plums, milk.

Thursday—breakfast—French toast fingers-syrup or cereal, fruit or juice, milk.

Lunch—pizza or rib sandwich, winter mix vegetables, green bean casserole, corn, apple sticks, milk.

Friday—breakfast—ham biscuit or cereal, fruit or juice, milk.

Lunch—steakum or egg roll or chicken chow mein-riced-hot roll, fortune cookie, potato wedges, stir fry vegetables, green peas, peaches, milk.

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NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING
PERQUIMANS COUNTY

The Perquimans County Board of Commissioners will hold a public hearing on Monday, February 20, 1989 at 7:00 p.m. in the commissioners meeting room of the Perquimans County Courthouse on proposed amendments to the Perquimans County mobile home park ordinance. The amendments are available in the county manager's office from 8:30 a.m. to 5:00 p.m., Monday through Friday.

N. Paul Gregory, Jr.
 County Manager

INSIGHT INTO EYESIGHT

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The first week of March is the 61st Anniversary of SAVE YOUR VISION WEEK, a national event. A Presidential Proclamation each year reminds the nation that vision is a priceless gift to be protected by each of us.

Regular eye examinations are the best way to protect vision. These examinations often pick up the early stages of eye diseases like glaucoma or diabetic retinopathy, diseases that can be treated to prevent vision loss. Regular eye examinations can prevent visual handicaps from impeding your child's learning. A prescription for safety lenses can prevent eye injuries in the factory or on the farm.

If you or your loved ones haven't had a complete eye examination recently, make an appointment now. It is the best way to observe SAVE YOUR VISION WEEK.

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