

Inside Report Card

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Focus On "A Very Good Year"

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A beautiful and popular song begins with "Well, it was a very good year..." As I have thought about a last word to our community for this school year, good things I have seen come to mind. Some parents have felt the joy firsthand as county children won spelling bees, exploded with the rough drama of Crest football and with the sound of brass at the Burns Cup Festival.

I cannot forget the fantastic passing of the Crest basketball team, the seven inches of late March snow, or the most rained-out baseball games in any one school year. We had students place in all-state music groups from fifth grade to senior year. Robert Lamb and Lana Jolley were selected for John Phillip Sousa National Honors Band to be in concert on May 21 in Washington, DC. Debbie Williamson has been awarded a full scholarship to UNC School of the Arts in Winston-Salem.

Six Burns Band students brought district band honors: Mark Garver, Tommy Beighley, Cindy Turner, Joey Forbes, and Larry Aderholdt from the senior high.

Marshall Forrester from the junior high not only brought home a district band award - the only ninth grader who did - he also is winner of the Regional Algebra II contest conducted in Charlotte.

Seniors at Burns and Crest are vying for scholarships. Thomas Lutz, Derek Greene, Amy Hull, Becky Proctor, Suzanne Sanford, and Deana Latham have already been announced as winners of prestigious scholarships at colleges and universities across North Carolina. Others not yet made public have received additional scholarship awards that will total between one and two hundred thousand dollars.

Anthony Johnson at Dover School has been selected the North Carolina winner of the "Salute to America" Contest, having been chosen from among 1,200 kindergarten-fourth grade pupils nationwide.

Washington School Library Festival has been an example for state use in other counties. Parents and pupils alike participated in the program throughout the week of April 18-22. South School is prepared for hot spring days with ceiling fans and hope for summer salvation next August with air conditioning (at least, they have asked). Township Number Three School has set a record for the best disciplined, quietest school buses in the county. Every school, grades kindergarten through twelve, now has one or more microprocessors for tutoring students in everything from algebra to vowel sounds and from state capitals to chords and harmony.

I stand in wonder at the list only partially printed here. Even more amazing than our good is the fact that the good has occurred while our local-dollars-per-pupil rank among 143 school units in the state has declined from seventy-eighth in 1979-80 to one hundred-nineteenth in the last available statistical report.

The lists and figures in the "Focus" mean we have had a very good year on most counts. We all wish teachers and aides, principals and supervisors, building and bus men had gotten a raise. It is bad that they did not, but that fact proves we had good people doing good work for the children of Cleveland County.

We hope you have learned from the FOOTHILLS VIEW. Children who have been published in it certainly have increased motivation. The school pages have been an inexpensive, effective way to relate reading to parents and pupils alike.

Let's pray next year will be filled with accomplishments and joy as



Front row (sitting) l-r, Leah Frady, Tammy Hollar, Angie Jackson, Jamie Petty, Susan Morrison, Kellie Long. 2nd row (standing) l-r, Brian Harvell, Winter Weber, David Blanton, Crystal Harris, Shannon Buckner, Andrew Poston, Rodney Price, Tim Bridges, Tricia Price, Barbara Blanton.

Governor's School Selections

The following Cleveland County students have been selected to attend the 1983 North Carolina Governor's School. The school will be in session from June 26 through August 6, 1983. All selectees are rising seniors.

Vonda Kay Willis from Burns High School will attend Governor's School East at St. Andrews Presbyterian College and will study French. She is the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Boyd Willis of Lawndale.

Brenda Adair Summers from Burns High School will attend Governor's School West at Salem College and will study Choral Music. She is the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. George Summers of Cherryville.

Wendy Lynn Patterson from Crest High School will attend Governor's School West at Salem College and will study Social Science. She is the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. John Patterson of Shelby.

Melissa Ann Mathews of Crest High School will attend Governor's School West at Salem College and will study Instrumental Music. She is the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Jim Burden of Shelby.

The Governor's School of North Carolina, located on the Salem College campus and on the St. Andrews Presbyterian College campus, is the oldest statewide summer residential program for gifted and talented rising seniors in the nation. The program is operated by the State Board of Education through the Division of Exceptional Children, N.C. State Department of Public Instruction. The school receives yearly funding directly from the General Assembly of North Carolina. The program offers stimulating and enriching curriculum for eight hundred students in a variety of academic areas.

A competent faculty and staff of approximately 130 persons fill the role of instructors, counselors, health care, recreational persons, and necessary ancillary service personnel for the student body. Nationally recognized consultants work with students and faculty.



Look What I Got! Kealy Self, John Self, Steffanie Shalp, Steffanie Signom and Tammy Wright of Burns Junior High just had a first look at their report cards.

Blake Tapped For Superintendents' Council

Superintendent Bill Irvin, Chairman of the Region VI School Superintendents' Council announced today that the Council has elected Dr. Jerry L. Blake to serve as the new Chairman of the Council for the term beginning in April, 1983.

Irvin praised the choice of Blake, stating that he had made significant contributions over

the three years he has been a member of the Council. Blake had developed and obtained funding for a regional personnel proposal and has been the founder of the Consortium for Development of Interactive Video Disc Instruction.

Irvin feels the choice of Blake is a recognition of his innovative leadership in organizing regional efforts to solve problems which go beyond individual school district lines.

Dr. Blake has been Superintendent of the Cleveland County Schools since 1979. He was formerly Director of Research and Training for the North Carolina School Boards Association and served as Superintendent in Currituck County, North Carolina. He

holds a doctorate from UNC Chapel Hill and completed a post-doctoral year as a staff member with the National Academy for School Executives.

Blake stated that he welcomed the challenge of leadership. He praised the tradition of the Region VI area which includes school systems from Anson in the East through Mecklenburg to Cleveland in the West. Blake feels Region VI has been a pacesetter among the eight education regions of the state.

Blake says he plans to involve all the Region's sixteen superintendents in the planning for the year. Blake sees the Council as a vehicle for school system cooperation in providing service that few systems could afford by themselves.

The Best For Beta Club

The National Junior Beta Club is a leadership-service organization for junior high students having successfully met specific academic and character requirements. Its purpose is to stimulate effort, reward achievement, and to encourage and assist its members to continue their education after high school.

The following students have recently been inducted into the Crest Junior High Beta Club. Marlana Kay Ashley, Chuck Wayne Barbee, Lisa Dawn Beason, Tina Carol Beaver, Jeffrey Lee Biggers, Stuart David Blackburn, Crissy Bolejack, Tracie Dawn Bowen, Judy Elaine Barbham, Lavondra Michelle Brooks, Michell, Leslie Brown, Thomas Lee Burton, Connie Lynn Cabiness, Karen Ann Canipe, Gregory Scott Dawkins, Tammy Michelle Earls, Christopher Ashley Edwards, Ameer Faythe Forster, Tracy Denise Glover, Angie Lee

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Arts Festival Play Produced

Crest Junior High 9th grade drama students recently presented the play "Charlie and the Six Chicks" for the Cleveland County Schools Cultural Arts Festival on April 18, 1983. The students are taught by Beverly Borders.

The main storyline of the play concerns a teenager named Charlie Baxter who experiences the "insanity" of the women's lib movement by being invited to

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THRU THE WEEK SCHOOL
At Hoyle Memorial United Methodist
Is Now Enrolling 3 & 4 Year Olds
For Fall 1983
For More Information, Please Call:
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Mall Cinemas 482-8333
CLEVELAND MALL

1:00
3:00
5:00
7:00
9:00

My Tutor
School's out... but Bobby's education has just begun. **R**

More fun than games! **JOY STICKS**
1:30 - 3:30
5:30 - 7:30
9:30

1:20 - 3:20
5:20 - 7:20
9:20

SILVER DREAM RACER **PG**

1:10 - 3:10 - 5:10 - 7:10 - 9:10

HEART LIKE A WHEEL **PG**

SPECIAL ADVANCE PREVIEW
TONIGHT AT 8:00 PM

HE'S OUT THERE...

Flying the most lethal weapon ever made...
The Blue Thunder Special.

At his fingertips, an infrared camera that can see right through your bedroom walls.

A microphone that can record your most intimate conversations.

And a 20mm electric cannon with six barrels that can turn your neighborhood into a raging inferno.

But he's not headed for a war-torn country.

He'll be cruising the skies of America.

And only one man can stop him from using it on you.

ROY SCHEIDER
in
BLUE THUNDER

COLUMBIA PICTURES Presents
HASTAR-GORJON CARROLL Production a JOHN HADHAM Film
ROY SCHEIDER - BLUE THUNDER
WARREN GATES - CANDY CLARK - DANIEL STERN
and MALCOLM McDOWELL

MUSIC BY ARTHUR HUBINGSTEIN. Edited by FLANK MORRIS. Director of Photography JOHN A. ALONZO, A.S.C.
Executive Producers PHIL FELDMAN and ANDREW FOGELSON. Written by DAN O'BANNON & DON JAKOBY
Produced by GORJON CARROLL. Directed by JOHN HADHAM

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