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Alumni To Hold Banquet Fond Mem'ry Turns To Thee

by Connie Bryan

Tomorrow night "fond mem'ry" will once again turn to "dear old Farm Life School," as graduates of that school gather to renew old friendships, to catch up on all the news, and to remember days gone by. The Alumni Association meets every year on the Friday before Mother's Day. Plans for this year's meeting include a banquet of barbecued pork and fried chicken to be catered by Parker's Barbecue of Greenville. State Senator Joe Thomas (Class of 1959) will give the

keynote address. A dance will follow the business meeting and program.

This year's meeting promises to have a special highlight for some. It has been reported that Mr. and Mrs. E.P. Blair will be in attendance. No one has to remind those who knew Mr. Blair as principal and friend about him, but for the younger generations. Mr. Blair came to Vanceboro in 1933 as coach and social studies teacher at Farm Life School. From 1938 to 1965, he served as principal. Mr. Blair

piloted the school through the tumultuous years of the Second World War and the prosperous ones of the 1950's. During the 1950's the curriculum grew to meet the needs of the growing enrollment. The physical plant also expanded to include an agriculture building, a 750-seat auditorium, a gymnasium, and a home economics building with a science annex.

The Alumni meetings are open to all graduates of Farm Life. Last year members voted to include any person who attended

Farm Life High School, but graduated from another school. This new policy allows students who went to Farm Life, but graduated from West Craven to also become a part of this annual "get-together."

The banquet will begin at 7:00 in the Farm Life Cafeteria. There will be a \$4.00 charge for dinner and an additional charge admission fee for the dance. The band "Purple Lace" will be performing. The Association invites all members and their guests to travel with them down memory lane.



GOD AND COUNTRY-Stacey Lee was awarded the God and Country Award in a special ceremony held during the morning worship service at the Vanceboro United Methodist Church. Stacey earned the Boy Scout award by studying and working in his church for one year. Stacey is the son of Mr. and Mrs. Nelson Lee of Vanceboro. Left to right are Rev. Claude T. Wilson, pastor; R.L. Cannon, Jr., Scoutmaster; Stacey, Linda and Nelson Lee. (Photo by Rick Cannon)



WINNING YARD— The yard of Mrs. Sally Morris (above) won first prize in the JWC Yard Contest. The yards were judged last Sunday by committee members on the basis of beauty and neatness.



2nd RUNNERUP-Little Miss Michelle Sheree Morris, daughter of Mrs. Susan Morris Brinkley of Chinquapin and Mr. Jerry Morris of Vanceboro was named 2nd Runner-up in the Little Miss Duplin County Pageant held in Kenansville last Saturday, May 5. Michelle is the granddaughter of Mr. and Mrs. Dannie Marvin Whitford.

Morris Wins Yard Contest

The results are in, and Mrs. Sally Morris' yard has been selected as this year's winner of the Vanceboro Junior Woman's Club's Yard Beautification Contest. Mrs. Morris was awarded a \$7.50 gift certificate to Green World Nursery for the club. A sign has been posted in her yard designating her as the winner. Mrs. Morris, whose home is on Stewart Avenue, thanked the club and said that she was very surprised that she had won since all of the yards looked very nice. The yard's of Mrs.

Sarah Jones, Mrs. Ann Lancaster, and Mrs. Muriel Fornes were given honorable mention with signs also posted in their yards.

Paula Jordan, chairwoman of the judging committee, commented, "It was a difficult decision. All of the yards were beautiful. But we feel that we have made a good choice." She added that the club would like to congratulate not just those who won, but everyone who participated in Clean-Up Month.

News of our Epworth Community

Lola Mae Foy
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Mrs. Emma Witherington and Mrs. Lola Mae Foy visited in the home of Mr. and Mrs. Sam Winchester on Monday.

Mr. and Mrs. Joe Nelson attended the 50th Anniversary of the Chicod School last Saturday, April 28th. Mrs. Nelson was a graduate of the school. Many graduates came back for the occasion.

Friends of Mrs. Bessie

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Heath Named

Esther Heath, a senior at West Craven, has been voted as Student of the Month for her loyalty to the WC Music Department. Esther has been a member of the Color Guard for two years and is captain this year. Even though Esther does not play an instrument, she has given her own free time for her duties and the secretary for the Fine Arts Department. She is in charge of records, correspondence, and in general tying up the "loose ends" of the department. She will be honored by the Vanceboro Rotary Club with a dinner and a plaque.

Eastern Star project a success

By Etheleene Butler

The Vanceboro Eastern Star Chapter Order #231 has recently completed a project to raise money to help pay the medical expenses of Rusty Whitford, son of Mr. and Mrs. Jerry Whitford of Route 1 Vanceboro. Mrs. Whitford is a member of the Eastern Star while Jerry is a Mason.

The Worthy Matron,

Mrs. Helen Wall made and donated an afghan. Members enthusiastically raised three hundred thirty-five dollars for this worthwhile project in donations. Mrs. Hannah Harris of Hermitage Street in New Bern was the winner of the beautiful afghan. The drawing for the afghan was held on May 2 at the regular meeting.



PINEWOOD DERBY WINNERS-Vanceboro Cub Scout Pack 58 crowned its 1979 "Kings of the races" last Saturday afternoon at the Annual Pinewood Derby Race held in the Farm Life Gymnasium. Left to right are (first row) Wane Barrow, 2nd Place-8 year olds, 3rd place-all Pack, Best Design; Timmy Weast, 3rd place-9 year olds; Mark Dudley, 3rd place-8 year olds; Mark year olds; Mark Dudley, 3rd place-8 year olds; Allen Thomas, 2nd place-9 year olds, 1st place-all Pack; Kendall Gaskins, 1st place-8 year olds, 2nd place-all Pack; Stacey Patterson, 1st place 9 year olds. Supervising the event were leaders left to right second row Linda Lee; Mike Lewis, Lewis Waskey, District Scout Executive; Ron Chapman, Cubmaster; and Linda Thomas. The winning Cub Scouts will participate in the District Pinewood Derby to be held this Saturday, May 12th at Garber United Methodist Church in New Bern at 2:00 p.m. (Photo by Rick Cannon)