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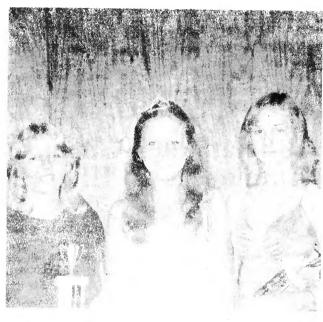
# **Cove City has** successful Fireman's Day

By Connie Bryan

Cove City residents gathered Saturday night for the climax of their Fireman's Day festivities. The crowd of over hundred people enjoyed the antics of Zoot Saunders as Master of Ceremonies of the two beauty pageants, Miss Spark, for ages 5-9, and Miss Flame, 16-21.

The day's excitment began with a parade at 10, followed by a barbecue dinner. Entertainment from the Tryon Twirlers and others was enjoyed by all.

At 7:00 Zoot Saunders took the stage and introduced the contestants in the Miss Spark Pageant. They were: Karen Wetherington, Marcy Blades, Tammy Chase, Cassie McCoy, Renee Ward, Allisha Mercer, Heather White, Vicky Wilson, Kellie Wiggins. Dail



MISS FLAME 1979— Lorri McCoy (center) is shown here just minutes after being named the 1979 Miss Flame in Cove City Saturday night. Esther Heath (left) and Terri Grady (right) were 1st and 2nd runners-up in the contest. (Photo by Connie Bryan)

Rouse, Lorina Bryan, Tins Harrell, Kellie Wilson Tammy Wetherington and Tracy McCoy. The winner of the title of Miss Spark 1979 was Tammy Chase, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Wayne Chase. The runner-up was Renee Ward, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Carlton Ward.

At 8:00 contestants in the Miss Flame Pageant were introduced. They were Esther Heath, freshman at Mount Olive College; Alice Warmack, a junior at West Craven; Wanda Hawkins. a junior; Lorri McCoy, a senior; Terri Grady, a iunior: Sarah Hawkins, junior: and Terri Kornegay, a junior. Lorri McCoy was crowned Miss Flame 1979 by Donna Pappas, the retiring Miss Flame. Esther Heath was selected as 1st runner-up, while Terri Grady was named 2nd runner-up.



MISS SPARK 1979- Tammy Chase (right) was named Miss Spark 1979 during a beauty, which was part of Cove City's Fireman's Day. Renee Ward (left) was picked as runner-up in the competition, which included 15 girls, ages 5-9. (Photo by Connie Bryan)

### **Final Plans for** Fireman's Day

Plans are being finalized this week by the Vanceboro Rural Volunteer Firemen for the annual Fireman's Day, which will be this Saturday, October 6. The day's roster of events starts off with the Fireman's Day Parade at 10:00. (All entries in the parade should meet on Farm Life Avenue by 9:00, so that they can line up.)

Barbecue pork and chicken dinners will go on sale at 11:00. Gospel singing by the Chapelets from Chocowinity and by David and the Singspirations will begin at 1:00. There will be the usual games, egg throw, greasy pole climb, etc., during the afternoon.

Price: 20

Let's all turn out and support the firemen.



## Car Wash opens

#### By Connie Bryan

The long awaited event is finally upon us. After driving around town in the summer's dust or mud and with a wet winter ahead, relief is in sight for dirty car owners. Vanceboro's first ultra-modern, selfservice car wash is opening this week. David Lancaster, owner of the facility which is located Hwy 43 in Vanceboro revealed that the car wash will have its Grand Opening this Saturday. A ribbon cutting with local dignitaries will shirts wil also be given added convenience for be held at 2:00 p.m. that away each hour. The car thier customers is a afternoon. As a special grand opening offer, Mr. vacuum service (.25¢ for cleaning supplies. Mr. Lancaster will provide a vacuum, .50¢ for wash). free car wash to the first The wash cycle has a twelve customers at the powerful warm water Grand Opening. Free T- spray along with wax. An



CAR WASH OPENS- The Vanceboro Car Wash will open for business this week. Ribbon cutting ceremonies are scheduled for 2:00 p.m on Saturday. (Photo by Rick Cannon)

wash features 24-hour

planned by the Vanceboro Youth Council for October 13 at 8:15 p.m. in the auditorium of Farm Life School. The entertainment will be provided by the Footlight Theatre with their performance of A Thurber Carnival. Tickets are \$2.00 for adults and \$1.50 for students. Contact Steve Hickle at 244-1782, Connie Bryan at 244-1203, Carl Willis at 244-0001, or stop by the Highlights office.

#### Local firemen to participate in Fireman's Day

By Rick Cannon

New Bern's Bicentennial Craven County featuring various fire goal is the winner.

fighting techniques and equipment. The Events will begin at 1:00 p.m. Sunday October 7.

One of the most exciting Park will be the scene of events is the Four Minute Water Ball. In this event man's Day sponsored each team tries to move a by the Craven County ball past its opponent's goal Firemans' Association. using the firemen's high Fireman from all over pressure water hoses. The Craven County will team having moved the participate in contests ball farthest from their

vending machine with Lancaster points out that the bays are extra tall to accommodate trucks and farm equipment.

