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Young Speaks To Vanceboro Rotary

Mr. David L. Young, of Edward D. Jones and Company, an investment firm located in New Bern, was guest speaker at the Vanceboro Rotary Club on Thursday evening, December 6.

Mr. Young briefly outlined the history of his firm to Rotary members. Edward D. Jones

and Company was established in 1871 and currently has over 700 offices across the United States. Much of the Company's success is attributed to its emphasis on conservative investing and its concentration of business in towns and cities with populations under 50,000. A member of the New York

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LSCVFD Installs 1985 Officers



LSCVFD installs 1985 officers. Left to right: Lt. Caton, Keith Fulcher; Capt. Caton, Joe Whitford; Lt. Antioch, Steve Nelson; Lt. Askin, Ikie Gaskins; Capt. Askin, Douglas Whitford; Asst. Chief, Mike Dearien; Chief Gilbert Whitford. (Not pictured Capt. Antioch, Billy Gaskins).

The following Little Swift Creek Volunteer Fire Department (LSCVFD) were installed Friday, December 7 at the department's annual Christmas supper. The officers are: Line Officers - Chief - Gilbert Whitford; Asst. Chief - Mike Dearien; Capt. Askin - Douglas Whitford; Lt. Askin - Ikie Gaskins; Capt. Antioch - Billy Gaskins; Lt. Antioch - Steve Nelson; Capt. Caton - Joe Whitford; Lt. Caton - Keith Fulcher.

Administration Officers: President - Buddy Whitford; Treasurer - Essie Mae Whitford; Special Treasurer - Terry Gaskins; Secretary - Bunny Schramm

Board of Directors: John Everington, Jimmy Whitford, Roger Wilson, Pete Schramm.

A delicious supper of barbecue, cole slaw, hush puppies, and cake squares, coffee, tea, and soft drinks was served. The tables were decorated with poinsettias on Christmas white tablecloths.

The meeting was held at the LSCVFD Caton Station. President Buddy Whitford welcomed members and guests. He then led the group in a prayer, giving thanks for another year in which no firemen were seriously injured. Mrs. Essie Mae Whitford, secretary and one of two lady firefighters in the LSCVFD, reported that the fire truck will be ready for delivery on or about Feb. 1, 1985 and Chief G. A. Whitford and Askin Captain Douglas will travel to Appleton, Wisconsin at that time to accept delivery and drive the unit back to N. C. The new truck is scheduled to be assigned to the Askin station. This new unit with the latest in fire-fighting equipment installed will provide the residents of the LSCVFD and surrounding areas with a department much better equipped than ever before to perform their primary mission - Fire Fighting.

George Dimmick



David Young

Forrest To Head Commissioners

Commissioners



Roger Forrest

Roger Forrest of Route 1, Vanceboro has been selected by his fellow Craven County Commissioners to chair that group for the next year. Forrest succeeds Sidney French who held the position during 1984. A governing board must select a chairman each year at the first meeting in December and the chairman serves for the following twelve months.

Lonnie Pridgen of New Bern was elected vice-chairman to serve during 1985 and Jim Sugg was reappointed county attorney.

Forrest, Pridgen, and Sugg were sworn in by Clerk of Court Dorothy Pate at the Monday meeting.



Left to right: Irvin McGee, Ronald Pete, Alton Whitley, Earl Lewis, Abie Cleve, Melvin Adams, Royce Jordan, Glenn Franks, Grover Lancaster, Otis Gatlin, Billy Whitford, Jimmy Huff, Calude Wilson, Charles LeFever, James Earl McLawhorn, Edison Thomas, Curtis Morris, Dewey Jordan, Ed Robinson, Frederick Bryan. (Not pictured John Edward Ipock, Ernest Jones, Bill Cleve).

VRVFD Banquet Big Success

Vanceboro Rural Volunteer Fire Department's Annual Banquet was a big success with 148 firemen and guests in attendance.

The meal for the banquet consisted of fish, shrimp, oysters, barbecue, chicken, hush puppies, french fries, tea and coffee. One member remarked after the meal that everyone seemed to get plenty to eat and certainly shouldn't go hungry.

The Master of Ceremonies was Alton Whitley, a long time member and acting president of the department. He

recognized the honored guests which included State Representatives, Senator, County Commissioners, Newspaper Publisher, and the wives of the members.

Fire Chief Stanley Kite made presentations to charter members who were still active in the department and praised each of them for the fine job they had done during the past 25 years.

Oral Dean Morris gave a history of the VRVFD and said that during the past 25 years the department had signed on over 268 members. The

present membership is 75. He also gave thanks to the charter members present for pioneer the department. There were twenty-one charter members present at the banquet.

Terry Haddock of Epworth was recognized as the "Fireman of the Year". It was stated that the addition of the Epworth group had added a great amount of help to the department.

The charter member traveling the farthest to get to the banquet was Dewey Jordan who now resides in Wilmington, N. C.