

Training Offered For Citizen Activists

As North Carolina faces an ever-increasing array of environmental issues--from hazardous waste facilities to peat mining--local citizens are becoming more vocal. An effort is now underway to help Tar Heels direct their energies more efficiently.

The Environmental Action Workshop, to be held May 3 in Fayetteville, is designed to help concerned citizens who may not always know where to turn, who to talk to, or how to get help and information for dealing with local environmental controversies.

It will run from 9 a.m. to 4 p.m. at Methodist College, with a \$5 registration fee.

The Environmental Action Workshop is sponsored by the Conservation Council of North Carolina and the Durham-based Institute for Southern Studies. The program was developed by the Environmental Resources Project at the University of North Carolina-Chapel Hill.

Methodist College is the host, and the Pamlico-Tar River Foundation of Washington, N.C. and the Cape Fear River Research Institute of Fayetteville are cosponsors.

"If you don't know where you're going, you'll probably end up somewhere else," the workshop slogan says. The program is designed to help inexperienced activists get involved in conservation and public health issues in eastern and central N.C.

Dr. Richard Andrews,

Director of the UNC Institute for Environmental Studies, will provide an overview of state government boards and agencies affecting the environment.

Participants will then break into small groups for hands-on case study sessions based on actual N.C. controversies involving radioactive waste, water pollution, land use planning, wetlands protection, and hazardous waste.

Action plans developed by the individual groups will then be compared and analyzed.

In the afternoon, participants will choose from among skill-building workshops in working with the media, legislators, administrative agencies, and scientific and technical experts. There will also be a session on conflict resolution.

Case study and skill workshop leaders include representatives of conservation organizations, government agencies, and universities.

The entire workshop will be oriented specifically toward average citizens. The idea for the program began at a meeting last fall of representatives of 30 N.C. environmental organizations.

Registration will begin at 8:30 a.m. May 3 in the Science Building at Methodist College. The college is on U.S. 401 north of Fayetteville (5400 Ramsey St.). Lunch will be available at the college.

All are welcome.

Is There A Cold Nose In Your Future?

A lot of you love animals, but don't own pets yet.

That's probably because you know that owning a pet means investing time and money in its care.

You know that cute kittens must have their litter boxes cleaned regularly, must have shots each year, and must be groomed.

And that cuddly puppies must be trained and walked regularly and licensed - and forgiven for muddy paws now and then.

We know you wouldn't own a pet unless you knew you could give it the best of care. We just want you to know that when you are ready - we'll be there to help you select a new family 4 legged friend.

See you at the open house! Free surprise gift given to everyone adopting a new 4 legged family friend of "Pet Tabs" vitamin samples.



Birth

Mr. and Mrs. Allen Dean Byrd of New Bern announce the birth of a daughter Danielle Rae, March 28, at Craven County Hospital. Baby weighed 6 pounds and 15 ounces. Mrs. Byrd is the former Cindy Morris of Vanceboro.

Training

"Greater New Bern Kennel Club" and "Craven County Humane Society" sponsors The Gaines Ashley Whippet Tournament, Sunday, May 4th at 1:00 p.m. Pop Warner

Football Field, Havelock, N.C. "FREE" training books available. For information or directions call the Humane Society: 633-0146 or Contact any Kennel Club Member or Humane Society Member.

Public Notice

The Town of Vanceboro intends to apply for a Community Development Block Grant as authorized under the Federal Housing and Community Development Act of 1974 (amended 1979), Small Cities Community Revitalization Program. The town intends to apply for total grant funds in the amount of \$414,000 to be used in the following activities:

* Scattered Housing Rehabilitation.....	\$320,000
* Local Options: curb and gutter drainage Buck Lane	\$40,000
Engineering and Contingencies	\$10,000
* General Administration	\$44,000
Total	\$414,000

A public hearing will be held at 8 P.M. in the Vanceboro Town Hall on May 5, 1986. All interested residents of Vanceboro are invited and urged to be present.



VOTE
ROBERT L. THOMAS
COUNTY
COMMISSIONER
Democrat for District Two
Vote May 6

(Paid By Candidates For Robert L. Thomas.)

Elect

Merlyn Williams

Clerk of Court

I request your vote and support in the May 6 Democratic Primary. It is my desire to put my 20 years of experience in the Clerk's Office and as a legal assistant to work for you.

The Clerk's Office affects the lives and property of countless citizens. If elected, I promise to make the office responsible to your needs and to treat you openly and fairly.



Merlyn Williams

There are many good employees now working in the Clerk's Office, and I do not plan to fire those employees as has been incorrectly rumored. As positions are available in the office, however, I do intend to implement an open hiring policy. Again I seek your vote and support, and I promise to serve you well.

Sincerely
Merlyn Williams

Your Vote Will
Be

Appreciated!

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