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CHS Class Of '47 Has Reunion

The Chocowinity High Class of '47 held a reunion get-together Saturday at the home of Mrs. Rae Bright of Vanceboro. The scaled-down reunion was held in the "little house" recreation center.

Guests were met with a welcome sign on the front door, helping to make everyone feel at home. Inside blue tables, flowers and "bright" blue curtains and soft music seemed to make the guests enjoy being reacquainted with former classmates and friends.

Mrs. Bright welcomed the guests and asked one of the guests to give the invocation. The guests dined on a meal of barbecued chicken, potato salad, slaw, pasta and shrimp, ice cream, cake, rolls and tea.

Following the meal, Mrs. Bright introduced those involved with the program. Guy Clark began the program with a speech on "Remember When" that he read in a book. He asked the guests to identify who said "what" and "it." This left the guests laughing.

Bill Cutler entertained the guests by playing his guitar, accompanying Bill Jones in his talk. Web Butler, accompanied by his wife, Etheleene, on the electric piano, sang *Memories*. Several guests said it brought back memories for them. He then walked among the guests and sang *Let Me Call You Sweetheart* to the women. He wandered among the women with a red rose in his hand, finally presenting it to Mrs. Bright.

A sing-a-long followed as guests sang several songs, including *You Are My Sunshine* and *Yes Sir, She's My Baby*. The guests also sang *The More We Get Together, The Happier We'll Be*. The guests concluded the singing with their school song.

*Chocowinity High is the school of our dreams,
We will forever be true,
And loudly her praises we'll*

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"It Goes This Way"

Clifford Heath of Dover, left, and Rick White of Cove City work together to put together a section of pipe for a water line near West Craven High School. The two were part of a crew working Tuesday afternoon. Both men said they wished

the weather would turn as cool as it was last week, but both agreed that it could have been hotter as other days this summer proved to be. If things got really hot they could cool off. After all, they were working on a water line. (Mike Voss photo)

Volunteers Give HUG To Schools

By TERRI JAMIESON
Staff Writer

Everyone knows that special skills are needed to be a volunteer, right? Wrong! According to Linda Thomas, volunteer coordinator for West Craven High School, all that's needed is a willing heart.

No special skills, training or abilities are required to become a HUG (Help Us Grow) volunteer for the New Bern-Craven County Board of Education.

Registration for the HUG program will be from 8:30 a.m. until 3:30 p.m. Sept. 16 at all schools in Craven County.

Many misconceptions about the role of a volunteer in today's school system abound. One such misconception is that the volunteer will be required to plan activities and projects independently. In reality, said Mrs. Thomas, most activities and projects are planned by the teacher or instructor with varying amounts of input from the volunteer. Depending upon individual classroom situations, planning is carried out accordingly.

Another popular misconception is that volunteers are needed only as tutors, said Mrs. Thomas. The New Bern-Craven County school system places one-on-one tutoring for academics first, but whatever service a volunteer has to offer, in any area, will be appropriately placed where there is greatest need, said Mrs. Thomas.

There are several types of volunteer programs to meet even the most demanding schedule. There is the program volunteer who works in the area of his or her choice for a minimum of one hour each week. Program volun-

teers work as librarian assistants, clerical assistants, classroom assistants or short-term tutorial assistants.

Then there is the community resource and cultural arts volunteer. These volunteers usually have special skills or talents that they can share on an irregular basis. Examples of this might be a slide presentation or program on a hobby or occupation. Resource volunteers are listed by the name of the specialty area, hours available and phone number. They are listed in a resource book and also on a computer list.

The third type of volunteer is the home-based volunteer. Often a person is unable to volunteer at a school but is able to participate in volunteer activities from their home, said Mrs. Thomas. There are numerous tasks a person can do from their home. These possible tasks include preparing materials for classroom projects, typing, helping make props for stage use or sewing costumes and baking for parties or special events. Some volunteers babysit for other volunteers who work at schools.

The New Bern-Craven County school system requires volunteers to meet certain qualifications. A volunteer must love and enjoy children and must desire to help a child, said Mrs. Thomas. The person must be dependable, responsible and adaptable. Volunteers must be committed to supporting and helping the teacher educate each child to that child's fullest capacity, she added.

The volunteer must be able to work under the direction of a

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Steamboat Company Asks For Concrete Proposal From N.C.

By MICHAEL ADAMS
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An official of a steamboat company told representatives of coastal North Carolina towns who want the company to put a boat in the area that they need to develop a concrete proposal.

Representatives of New Bern, Bath, Belhaven and Washington met in Washington recently with Christine Johns and David Kish of the Delta Queen Steamboat Co. of New Orleans.

The town representatives did not say exactly what kind of steamboat they would like to see in the area. They talked about day excursion boats, overnight cruise boats and showboats.

Ms. Johns, director of planning for Delta Queen, told them that they need to decide what kind of

boat they would like and what kind of market they would like to attract.

"You folks are the ones who know your area," she said. "Put together a concept that you feel comfortable with, make it as specific as you can, then try it on for size."

She also suggested that the towns perform a market study to see "who you've got, who you would attract."

Ms. Johns said there is a big difference between the type of boats required for day excursions and overnight cruises. The cruise boat would be more expensive to build, would have a deeper draft and be more expensive to operate.

Delta Queen operates two paddlewheel steamboats on the Mississippi and Ohio Rivers be-

tween St. Paul, Minn., Pittsburgh and New Orleans. The Mississippi Queen carries up to 420 passengers and the Delta Queen carries up to 180.

Ms. Johns said the company does not operate any day excursion boats, but is investigating the possibility.

Louis Taylor, director of planning and community development for Washington, said he agreed with Ms. Johns that the towns' concept needed to be more definite. But he said the towns would need guidance from Delta Queen.

Representatives of the towns told the Delta Queen officials about the tourist attractions, hotel accommodations and market potential for a steamboat in the coastal area.

Taylor said that Washington

would draw from a large market area, including the Research Triangle Park area and Greenville.

He said the Historic Washington walking tour had been designated a national recreation trail and that Washington is the gateway to the Historic Albemarle tour. Taylor said that he had been working with bus tour operators to bring bus tours to the area and he thought a cruise operation would be attractive to them.

Taylor also represented Belhaven because Mayor Charles O. Boyette was unable to attend the meeting. He said noted that the town is improving its waterfront. He said the town's River Forest Manor inn is attractive and that the Belhaven Memorial Museum, a private collection in the old Town Hall,

offers an unusual experience.

Frank B. "Bo" Lewis, executive director of the Washington Chamber of Commerce, told Ms. Johns and Kish that "business is good in Beaufort County." He said the town had attracted about 67,000 people in July with the Washington Summer Festival and that about 1,500 people go through the city's visitor's center every month.

Lewis said that Beaufort County does not allow the sale of mixed drinks, but that a proposal is before the Board of County Commissioners to hold a referendum on the issue early in 1988.

Gerald Butler of the Historic Bath Commission told the officials that Bath is a "sleepy little town" with several attractive features. These include the Bath Historic District and an outdoor

drama which was not performed this summer but which is scheduled to be resurrected.

Butler also said that Bath has plans for a new restaurant, but will preserve its smallness.

Mike Tiddy, director of the New Bern Chamber of Commerce, said that New Bern was a tourist-oriented city. He said more than 2,000 people are employed in tourism-related businesses in Craven County, about 12 percent of the work force.

Kay Williams, administrator of the Tryon Palace complex, talked about various attractions in New Bern. She said the city was working on its waterfront, that it staged several festivals drawing large crowds each year and that there were four bed-and-

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Freeman Wins Second Flying Eagle Award

It's not often a lineman gets recognition. That is usually reserved for the so-called "glamour" positions on a football team. But this week's Flying Eagle definitely earned the honor of being named the second Flying Eagle of this season.

Vann Freeman, a senior for the West Craven Eagles, preserved a win for Coach Clay Jordan's squad by blocking a field goal attempt by the Greene Central Rams. Jordan said Freeman's effort helped the Eagles preserve their 8-7 win and bring the team's record to 1-0-1.

Trailing the Rams 7-0, the Eagles scored on a one-yard plunge by tailback Derek Booker. After settling for an 8-8 tie in their first game, the Eagles de-

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Vann Freeman

Morris Wants Salon More Than Cut Above

By TERRI JAMIESON
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Hairstyling is a fiercely competitive field and yet another hair salon is trying to make waves in Vanceboro.

July 22 marked the opening day of Michael's Sheer Success located in Morris Plaza. The salon is operated by Michael Morris. His staff includes women who handle shampooing and receptionist duties.

Edith Lilly, a customer, stopped by the salon recently for some advice from Morris and to make an appointment. Mrs. Lilly said that Morris "tries to do your hair just like you want it done. Michael's like a hometown boy. He is friendly and acts like he's known you all his life."

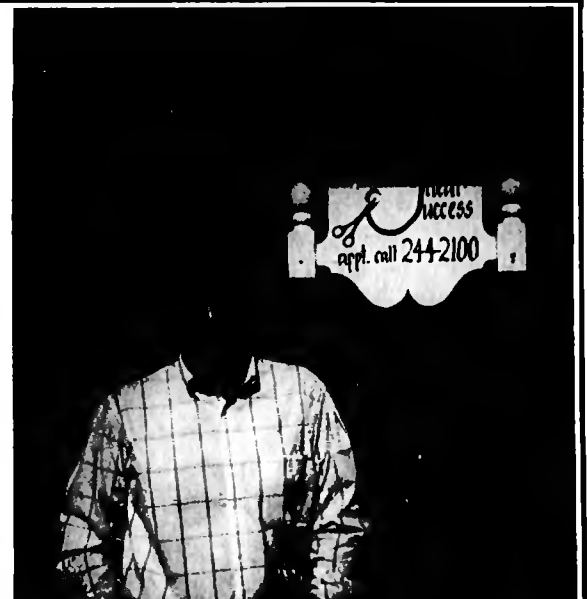
Communicating with each customer until he reaches an understanding of what they

want and need concerning their hair and skin is one of Morris' first priorities for each of his customers. The staff who handle the shampooing and receptionist chores allow him more uninterrupted time to spend with each customer. Morris likes to joke and have fun with his customers.

Morris said the "entertainment is free." Among other things, Morris enjoys doing total makeovers. He said most of all he likes watching his customers leave happier than when they walked in.

Morris received his training from Mitchell's Hairstyling of Greenville. He has also had one year of specialized training in cosmetics and skin care.

Future plans include



Michael Morris in front of salon

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