



COMFORTABLE WITH HISTORY. Junior historians, clockwise from left, Abby Register, Kayla Comer, Shelby Reeves and Emily Kesler, rest by the fire after a day of colonial activities.

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Colonial

ancestors. David and Mary Bradford, came down the wagon road from Pennsylvania in the 1760s with their four young boys. One of the sons fought in the American Revolution. Taylor will research that story. The club offers a wonderful opportunity to mix learning and fun,"

Bradford explained. All of club projects will be entered at the annual awards day in Raleigh next May.

Future club plans include a Christmas candlelight tour of Old Salem and an afternoon of baking tea-cakes for holiday gifts. The club also plans to do service projects to help in the preservation efforts of Fort Dobbs Historic Site, the club's namesake.



KAYLA COMER WRITES in her journal with a quill pen.

Highway Patrol Cracks Down

RALEIGH - The Highway Patrol began targeting aggressive drivers on North Carolina interstates Wednesday and will continue through the Thanksgiving holiday weekend.

Aggressive drivers are identified as those who flagrantly violate the motor vehicle laws by excessive speeding, following too closely, erratic lane changes, safe movement violations and other forms of reckless endangerment. Aggressive drivers, state records say, account for a significant number of the traffic collisions on state roadways.

"This high-volume holiday travel period is traditionally one of our busiest and deadliest," said Colonel Richard W. Holden, Commander of the State Highway

Patrol. "Getting to your destination safely should be your number one goal; don't try to cut off a few minutes of your drive time by speeding or driving aggressively. It's just not worth it," said Holden.

During the Thanksgiving holiday, the Patrol will also be participating in the state's "Booze It and Lose It" anti-drunk driving campaign and the national Combined Accident Reduction Effort (C.A.R.E.). Sobriety checkpoints are being held throughout the state during the entire week.

The Thanksgiving holiday weekend officially began at 6 p.m. Wednesday and ends midnight Sunday, Nov. 30. Last year, there were 2,094 crashes, 1,174 injuries and 17 fatalities statewide during the holiday period.

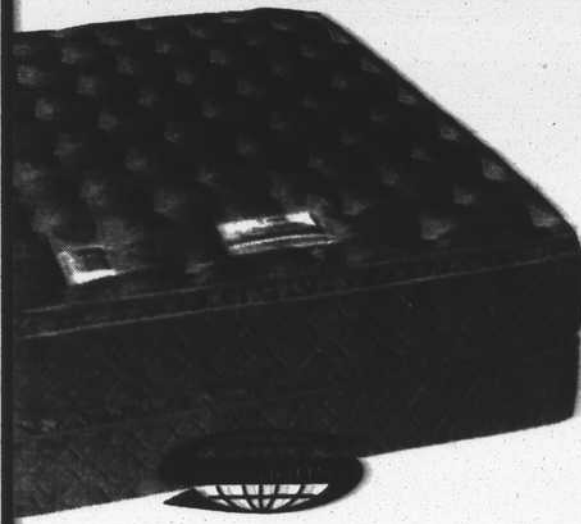
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