

Teacher attends high-tech school at COA

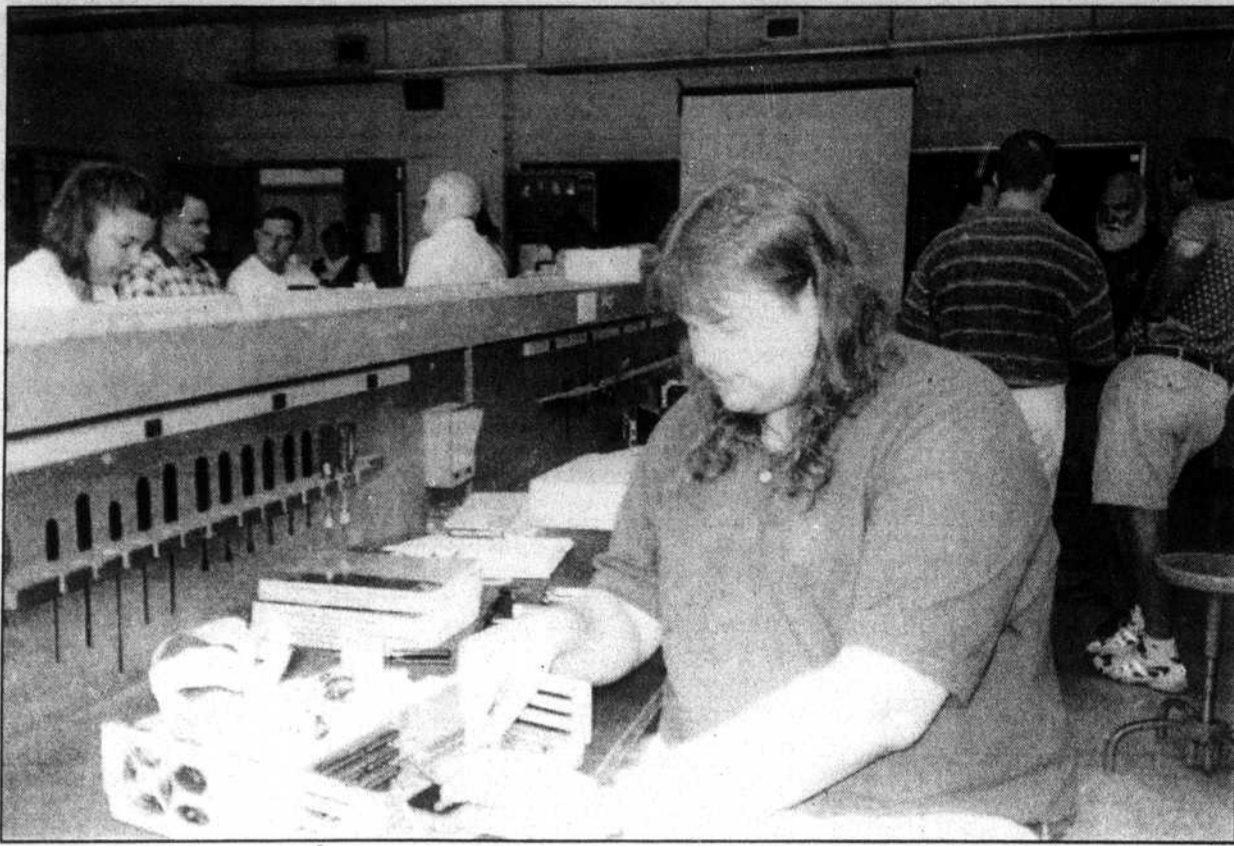
John Smith III knows that it will take more than reading, writing and arithmetic to prepare students for the 21st century. The College of the Albemarle teacher knows his students will need one very important "T" along with the three R's, and that "T" stands for technology.

Smith was among those who recently participated in a high-tech summer school to prepare him to teach his students computer engineering skills through ExplorNet's ComPuter Recycling Program. The CPR Program operates through a vocational course titled Computer Engineering Technology.

Smith recently joined 18 high school teachers from across the state for an intensive instructor-training program on the campus of Appalachian State University. The two-week sessions focused on learning how to build, upgrade, and troubleshoot computers. These skills will be passed on to students who enroll this fall in CET classes at College of the Albemarle.

"I think this course will give my students a good foundation to move on to networking," said Smith. "Certainly it will lead to higher paying jobs."

The Computer Engineering Technology curriculum was developed by ExplorNet and the NC Department of Public Instruction to teach students in rural and low-wealth communities real world skills.



John Smith III was among the teachers attending a recent high-tech workshop designed to prepare him to better teach his students computer engineering skills. Smith was recently hired by College of the Albemarle as a Computer/Network Engineering Technology instructor for COA and the Edenton-Chowan Schools.

While students learn to build computers, they will also be preparing for the A+ Certification test. This test is an industry standard for computer service technicians, and is viewed as a "certificate of employability."

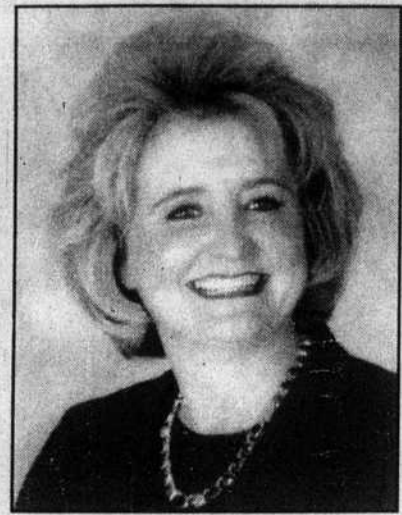
Another key benefit of this program is that the computers these students build can be in-

stalled in computer labs or libraries for other students to use, or anywhere else they are needed within the school district.

Smith will teach Computer Engineering Technology and Networking Engineering Technology Certification classes for COA through a partnership with Edenton-Chowan Schools

and county government.

Smith is a graduate of North Carolina State University in Raleigh where he earned a BS degree in computer engineering. He has been employed the last three years as a computer technician with Franklin City Public Schools in Franklin, VA.



Shelia Bootwright



Geddes Bootwright

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The class will meet from 7-10 p.m. on Thursdays, from Aug. 26-Dec. 16, in room C-109. The class will be taught by G.

Ambrose.

The cost of this course is \$60. Students may register at the first class session. A social security number is needed to register.

For more information, call COA's Continuing Education Division at 335-0821, ext. 2250.

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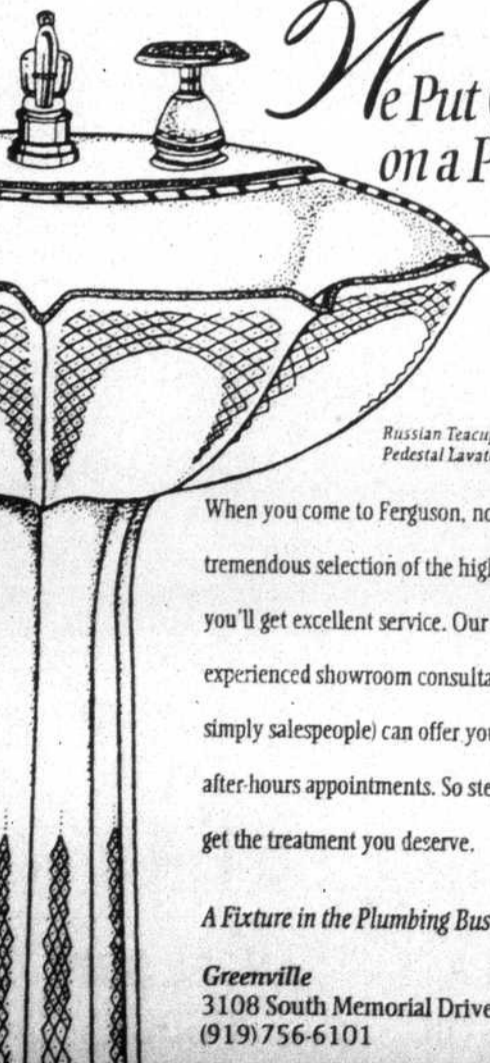
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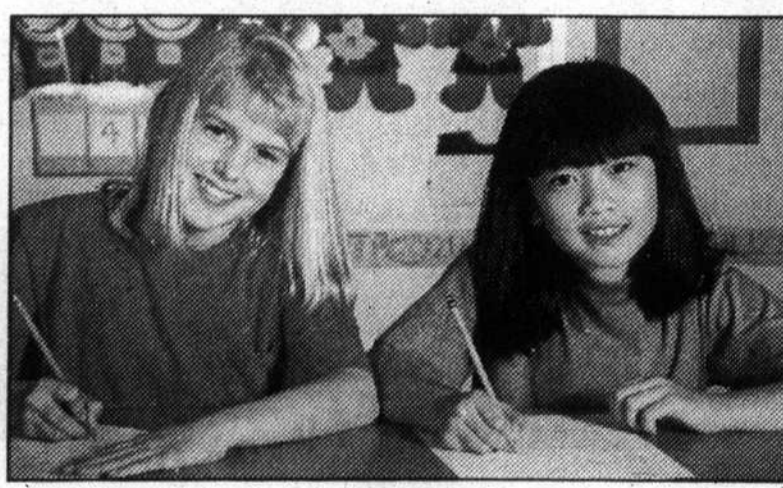
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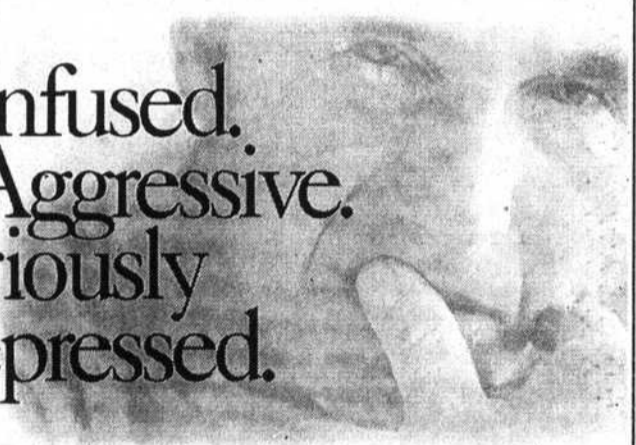
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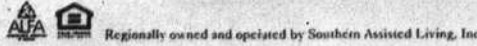
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