

## JobReady gets \$50,000 grant

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The COA-Chowan-Gates-Perquimans JobReady Partnership has received a \$50,000 New Century grant from the North Carolina JobReady Council to implement a comprehensive model for career development.

Rob Boyce, director of the JobReady initiative in Chowan County, said that the model includes the local, state, and national goals for JobReady; the state's ABC plan, and the recommendations of the North Carolina Standards and Accountability Consortium. The goals focus on comprehensive career development plans, work-based learning, career-based se-

niors projects, career majors, and the development of critical employability competencies.

"Through the support of our local businesses, we have identified three critical employability competencies...Responsibility, Speaking, and Technical Writing," said Boyce. "Teachers have

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## Sixth Graders show compassion

The Major League sixth grade team at Chowan Middle School held a contest before Thanksgiving to feather a teacher as Turkey of the Month. Students bought feathers at the cost of one cent each and chose which teacher they wanted to feather. At the end of the contest, the teacher with the most feathers was named Turkey of the Month. The sixth graders donated \$50 of their profits to the Edenton-Chowan Food Pantry. Here, Chowan Middle School teacher Beth Brabble, named Turkey of the Month, presents Allen Harless, director of the Edenton-Chowan Food Pantry, with a check.

## Pace among those going to seminar

Elizabeth B. Pace of Edenton, a sixth grade communication skills and social studies teacher at Chowan Middle School, recently attended a seminar at the North Carolina Center for the Advancement of Teaching.

Pace was one of 19 North Carolina teachers participating in "Sense of Belonging: The Pursuit of At-Risk Students" Nov. 29-Dec. 3, conducted by Tricia Cook, center fellow.

Part of the University of North Carolina, NCCAT provides a year-round series of residential seminars and teacher-scholar programs for teachers and professional development activities for teachers and staff in selected school systems. At the center, teachers engage in stimulating scholarly activities and professional networking to renew their enthusiasm for teaching and learning. Mary Jo Utley is center director.



## Club collects food

The Junior Beta Club of Chowan Middle School held a canned food collection drive in November. Over 250 items were collected with a sixth grade class collecting the most items. The club had Allen Harless, director of the Edenton-Chowan Food Pantry, as a guest speaker. He explained how the Food Pantry works and expressed his appreciation for the club's efforts. Club sponsors, Beth Brabble and Nell Mason, were accompanied by Mary Beth Johnson, club president, and Grace Johnson in delivering the food to the Food Pantry.

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  - Filing for Board of Education will open at a later date

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