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Students honored at excellence banquet

Ninety-two students from John A. Holmes High School were honored for academic excellence at a banquet held on May 22 at the school.

Students were recognized for outstanding performance in the following categories: Principal's List, Honor Roll List, President's Education Award, Academic Letter, North Carolina Scholars program, Fine Arts Scholars program, Tech Prep Scholars program, Honor Graduate, Holmes Scholar, Virginian-Pilot Scholastic Achievement Award, Marshals, Salutatorian, and Valedictorian.

The following students were honored: Ninth Grade - Alex Bean, Brittany Bloom, Brittani Bonner, Allison Britton, Travis Devers, Domonique Downing, Matthew Elliott, Robin Hardison, Francie Harrell, Alveta Jordan, Tiffany Law, Rebecca Parrish, Brittany Pierce, Bethany Powers, Jude Roberts, Jamie Skinner.

Tenth Grade - Dana Bembry, Chad Elliott, Samantha Fields, Billy Hardesty, Shelly Harrell, Nastacia Heiniger, Brandon Hughes, Trenita Jackson, Sarah Mayo, Decembra Parker, Karen Perry, Abigail Rivera, Ashley

Runyon, Erica Sandiford, Ellison Sieck, Ben Smith, Leah Williams.

Eleventh Grade - Marica Bazemore, Crystal Belch, Mary Breedlove, Christina Davenport, Leigh Harrell, Ollie Inglis, Jeremy Laughton, Tanner Leggett, Courtenay Nixon, Alex Perry, Brianna Powers, Julie Sliva, Melanie Wemple.

Twelfth Grade-Amanda Ashton, Beth Bass, Courteny Bass, Jonathan Bass, Kinsey Bass, Rebecca Bass, Dawn Belch, Stephen Bond, April Copeland, Janet Davenport, Beth Elliott, Bonnie Evans, Nick Furlough, Kim

Formo, Sheena Gagne', Stephanie Grimes, Kishae Holley, Nathanael Holley, Dallas Hufton, Kim Hurdle, Sara Hux, Travis Jennings, Hillary Jilcott, Holly Jilcott, Latoya Jordan, Michael Miller, Kathryn Mills, Alicia Moore, Jaymin Patel, Amanda Peele, Lionel Potts, Nassoma Powell, Jenny Regulski, Nyla Rivera, Michael Santana, Kurt Schuettinger, Adam Shupe, Angela Stallings, Nikia Stanley, Summer Stroud, Angela Sykes, Marketa Taylor, Alison Terry, Tabitha Waterfield, Tyrone Webb, Natasha Wynn.



Brenda Winborne addresses the audience at the 2000 Edenton-Chowan Board of Education/NCAE Annual Spring Banquet. Winborne was recognized as the Chowan County Administrator of the Year and the Region I Principal of the Year in the Wachovia Principal of the Year program. (Submitted photo)

Elliott to attend Nat'l **Youth Leaders Forum**

John A. Holmes High School in Edenton, has been selected to attend The National Youth Leadership Forum on Medicine.

The National Youth Leadership Forum on Medicine is dedicated to preparing our nation's most promising future physicians for educational and professional opportunities and responsibilities.

This summer, Elliott will join students from across America for

Kenneth Elliott, a student at discovery and mentorship with some of the country's most prominent and technologically advanced medical institutions.

Intensive day-long concentrations at these institutions will allow the students opportunities to examine state-of-the-art diagnostic tools and future medical specialities in detail. Students will also have an opportunity to study and learn from some of the nation's 350 other outstanding high school most distinguished medical leaders and research pioneers.

Retirees are honored at the NCAE banquet

The Edenton-Chowan Board of Education and NCAE held their annual spring banquet to honor retirees and 20-year employees of the school system.

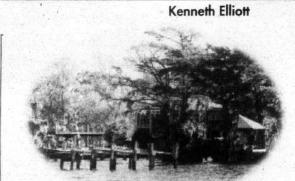
Among the retirees honored were: Marianne Miller - teacher, White Oak School; Gail Williams teacher, D.F. Walker School; Ruby Bond-teacher, D.F. Walker School; Robert Moye-teacher, D.F. Walker School; Mary Jane Copeland teacher, D.F. Walker School; Ann Jordan - Cafeteria Manager, Chowan Middle School; and Cindy Pierce - teacher, John A. Holmes High School.

Employees recognized for 20years of service were: Shirley Layden - teacher assistant; bus driver, White Oak School; Kim Bennett - teacher assistant, bus driver, White Oak School; and Jill King - teacher, Chowan Middle

Other honors and recognition were awarded to: Stacey Baker -White Oak School Teacher of the Year; Grace Bean - D.F. Walker School Teacher of the Year; Leverna Copeland - Chowan Middle School Teacher of the Year; Colleen Karl-John A. Holmes High School Teacher of the Year and Chowan County Teacher of the Year; Brenda Winborne - Administrator of the Year and Region I Principal of the Year; Tracy Cole -NC Principal Fellow; Travis Collins - NC Principal Fellow Sonya Rinehart - NC Humanities Fellow; Kishae Holley - NCAE Scholarship; Jenny Regulski -NCAE Scholarship and NC Teach-

ing Fellow The following educators were also recognized for receiving National Board for Professional Teaching Standards Certification: Leverna Copeland, Mary Ann Morris, Suzanne Palmer, Sheila Evans.

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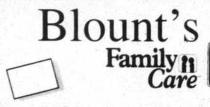


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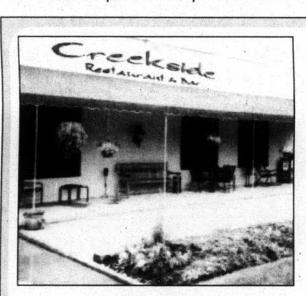


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Creekside offers more than just a place to eat

As one of Edenton's ventures. Creekside Restaurant & Bar employs a successful mix of enjoyable cuisine, personal service, and entertaining

music to remain competive in the restaurant field

Co-owners Gail Finan and Delbert White are also the beneficiaries of loyal customers, which includes Edenton resident Tom Moriarty.

"I like Creekside because of the friendly atmosphere," Moriarty said. "You receive personal attention from the owners and the entire staff as well... it's the only place in town to find good entertainment. You get what you pay for ... which is great food. Delbert (White) adds that personal touch by checking on the quality of the Likewise, staff also value the atmosphere created by Finan and White. "It's not as

stressed here," Alicia Moore stated. "It's a lot better than anywhere else.

"She's (Finan) very easy to get along with," Amanda Henry responded. "And when we are not 'super' busy, she's really fun. "It's like being with a real family...everyone here is also very polite and respectful.'

In agreement with Moore and Henry is fellow employee Charlotte Faircloth. "They're (Finan and White) really welcoming and helpful in the workplace," said Faircloth. "I think that this experience will provide me with a sense of (the importance) of personal attention."

Since its opening in October 1998, Creekside has undergone several changes but manages to maintain a strong community presence via its association with several

"We feel a social responsibility to give back," White said. "For example, during Hurricane Floyd (in 1999) everybody was saying that they needed a month's notice before they could offer assistance to those who needed it. However, they asked us at noon to prepare something, we had it at four (p.m.)"

'If there's one thing that I would want to say is that they are (really) involved in charity activities," Brenda Ward replied. "The things that they put back into the community are wonderful. They make a conscious effort to give back, additionally we have a charity bartender event every month." Ward added, "a lot of people do it for the free publicity, but they do it from the heart. They have certainly proven that they're a valuable part of the community."

Despite the current state of success, White remembers the problems encountered when the facility first opened its doors.

"Initially it was tough, as it is with any new business," White said. "However, our supporters hung with us, hat's off to those who are our real friends. In addition, the community, for the most part, has accepted us. In regard to the musical offerings at Creekside, they continue to provide several

options for its patrons "There have been two types of dinner theatre here...and both have been well-

received," Ward said. Local talent, such as Dr. Peter Boehling, Dr. Paul Richmond, and Mike Malloy, have all been involved."

With all of the events that continuously occur at this venue, it would be easy to forget that not everyone is aware of its value, a problem that employee Tony Wilson thinks has an easy solution.

"Come give it a try," Wilson said. "I guarantee you will enjoy it."



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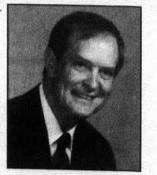
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