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#### Hot time for all

Members of the Center Hill Volunteer Fire Department found the going hot in the red glow of heat as they battled the flames from this house fire. High 90s temperatures, being dressed in full turnout gear, and heat from the fire gave these guys a real workout. Nixon kept a close eye on his new volunteer fireman, as the fire was good training for them. "Right now we have 36 volunteer firemen," says Nixon. "However, we have slots available for forty." Only only one person occupied the house, located next to Nixon's Family Restaurant. The resident was not at home as fire devoured the 90 year-old structure. (Photo by Helen Kerr Outland)

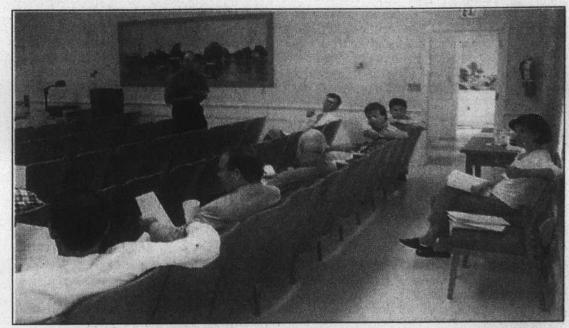
# Washington County joins Chowan, other counties in opposition to OLF

BY HELEN K. OUTLAND Staff Writer

Representatives from six counties, including Washington County, were on hand for the OLF meeting Thursday, June 27th. The committee has been meeting on a regular basis since the public announcement concerning the proposal by the military of an Outlying Landing Field in eastern North Carolina. With the release this week of the Environmental Impact Study by the Navy, the counties targeted for a field, with the exception of Washington, are contributing financially toward retaining Ward and Smith, P. A, a lobbying

Washington County Manager Chris Coudriet was present for the meeting and at that time could still make no financial commitment on behalf of his county to retain Ward and Smith. The other committee members proceeded to officially vote and accept the services of Ward and Smith, PA's to lobby on their behalf against an OLF. Each county represented committed \$25 thousand toward retaining

However, during Monday



The OLF Steering Committee met last week to finalize plans to hire a lobbying firm. On hand for the meeting was Washington Co. Manager, Chris Coudrit. Washington County announced Tuesday it will join the anti-OLF effort. (Photo by Helen Outland)

night's board meeting of the Washington County Commissioners, things changed. A statement released from Coudriet's office after the Monday night meeting reads, "The board tonight pastsed the resolution of solidarity, including the commitment of funds up to \$25,000 (to help retain Ward and

Even though Washington these counties real estate sales

County had been indecisive represent a very important until its Monday meeting it did not keep them out of the line of fire for public responses to a proposed OLF. They too recently, as has Chowan County, fell victim to one of the negative impacts of a proposed landing field that leaders from all the targeted counties are deeply concerned about. For

part of their counties' financial survival. They believe that the proposed OLF creates the potential for tremendous losses in revenue. "We recently had two real estate purchases go sour due to the threat of an OLF," said Chris Coudriet.

A statement released by

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### Election filings are reported

BY HELEN K. OUTLAND Staff Writer

Four candidates filed this week with the Chowan County Board of Elections for two seats with Soil and Water and two for the School Board.

Fred R. Smith filed for reelection as Conservation Supervisor for Soil and Water.

Fenton T. Eure III filed for a seat to be vacated by Louis Nixon on the Soil and Water

John E. Guard III filed for a seat on the Edenton-Chowan Board of Education for District 2 and a seat vacated by Claire

Gil Burroughs has filed for a seat on the Edenton-Chowan Board of Education to be vacated by Thurlis Little, who has served twice, representing Dis-

Watch next week's Chowan Herald for more on these candidates.



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# Veterans tell legislature not to forget service to country

BY E. C. TOPPIN Past Department

Members of Edward G. Bond Post 40 of the American Legion traveled to Raleigh. There they joined with other veterans from across North Carolina to tell the North Carolina legislatures, "Don't balance the budget on the backs of the Veterans!"

"The Senate Budget Committee has proposed to cut the N.C. Division of Veteran Affairs by twelve percent. The budget cut would negatively affect North Carolina veterans in several ways." the release states. The cuts would require closing three district offices, important staff positions would be reduced, and there would be a significant reduction in funds for scholarships for the children of eligible veterans.

The overall effect of the staff cut would be a 20% reduction in the services to veterans.



Servicemen salute the American flag during recent Memorial Day ceremony. (Chowan Herald file photo)

This is not an acceptable burden for North Carolina veterans to bear. Veterans have already paid the price and to reduce their services was unthinkable.

By the middle of the afternoon the Senate had restored all scholarship funds and most of the staff monies. Now the House will consider the bud-

The Edenton Legionnaires met with Representative Bill Culpepper and Culpepper assured the group he would do

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### Special ALS Night set

This week's Chowan Herald contains special pages that tell the story of the Jim "Catfish" Hunter ALS Foundation on pages 1B - 3B.

On July 5, as the Edenton Steamers play the Outer Banks Daredevils, proceeds will be dedicated to the foundation to be used for medical research.

The Herald, its sister papers, and their advertisers are proud to support the fight.



### **Tourism** award

The Snooky Bond **Excellence in Tourism** Award was recently presented by Linda Eure (center) to the Chowan Arts Council for bringing 25 years of cultural arts to Chowan County. Accepting were CAC President Craig Miller, and CAC Executive Director Sue Clark (right). The presentation was made during a recent tourism meeting.

# GOP's Dority talks tough on defense

BY ROBERT SHILES Cox NC Publications

Greg Dority, unopposed candidate in the GOP primary for the 1st District congressional seat now held by Democrat Eva Clayton, is talking

tough about national defense. "Wars are won by taking the fight to the enemy and destroying both his capability and will to continue fighting," Dority said in a recent interview with The Daily Ad-

Dority, 43, is a managing partner for a security firm that specializes in security issues and communications. and he has served as a security consultant in places such as Bosnia, Kosovo province, Albania and the Balkans.

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