

Agriculturally Speaking

Schedule Of Farm Events Released By County Agent

COMING EVENTS
 September 8—ASC Community Committee Elections
 September 15—Feeder Calf Sale, Rocky Mount
 September 26 — Enter Exhibits Warren County Fair
 September 28—Junior Dairy Calf Show (White)
 September 29—Junior Dairy Calf Show (Colored)
 September 30—4-H Poultry Show and Sale
 September 30—Nickels For Know-How Referendum

an important economic unit on the modern farm. During the past quarter century, farmers have built nearly a million ponds as a part of their soil and water conservation plans, according to the Soil Conservation Service of the United States Department of Agriculture.

Ponds are used in many farming programs, such as water for livestock, sprinkler irrigation water source, fire protection and recreation in the form of fishing, boating, swimming, and ice skating. Annually, however, an in-

creasing number of lives are lost in the "useful" farm pond. All of these deaths, with few exceptions, could have been prevented.

It is the responsibility of every farm pond owner to make his pond safe. The first rule of safety around the farm pond is:

Recreation must be supervised at ALL times by an adult. Never: Swim alone; fish alone; skate alone; play around the pond alone.

Post safety instructions for boating, swimming and skating. Mark swimming areas.

If the farm pond is located so its gets damage from barnyards or sewers, or if livestock are allowed to drink from the pond, do not permit swimming or other recreation because of sanitary reasons.

Place life saving devices such as ring buoys, ropes and long poles around swimming areas.

Allow in the water only persons who know how to swim. Encourage children to learn to swim.

Know accepted methods of artificial respiration.

Place a fence that can't be climbed around the farm pond so children can't play there without adult supervision.

Clear all trees, stumps, brush, wire and rubbish from swimming areas.

Boats can be fun when you use common sense:

Know your boat's limitations. Balance your load from side to side and bow to stern.

Don't overload.

Avoid sharp turns.

Don't use a motor too powerful for your boat.

Head at an angle toward waves.

Go slow when waves are high.

A boat is not a toy to be experimented with and played with by children.

During my younger days a nice farm pond was almost unheard of, but today a large number of our farms possess one or more ponds.

You can see real pleasure in a man's face when he talks about his pond and when serving his livestock needs, irrigation and picnicking, fishing and swimming on the side. Well, the farm family has real reason for enjoyment.

On the other hand, there are dangers mentioned above, for the sake of all just be careful!

To achieve the honor roll, a student must have an average of at least 92.5 for his studies.

White, a 1956-57 graduate of Middleburg high school, will be a senior in the School of Pharmacy this fall.

Family Farm Seen Dominant in 1975

Will the family farm be dominant in 1975?

"Yes," predicts H. L. Stewart, an economist for USDA's Agricultural Research Service. Stewart believes the average size of family farms will increase, while the total number of farms will decrease. He foresees an increase in the present trend to adopt labor-saving and out-put increasing improvements essential to economic survival in competitive farming.

"Farmers of 1975 will employ others to perform more services," he says. He named such services as spraying, dusting, fertilizing, more professional management assistance, and help in buying and marketing livestock.

"Large-scale livestock feeding will become increasingly important in the West and Southwest, where there are expanding markets and abundant supplies of livestock, feed grain and forage," he says.

Mrs. Gray is the former Miss Judy Falkner of Warrenton.

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Mrs. Sue B. Riggan Dies At Hospital

ROANOKE RAPIDS — Mrs. Sue Bobbitt Riggan, 85, of Route 2, Littleton, died Sunday afternoon in Roanoke Rapids Hospital.

Funeral services were held Tuesday at 3 p. m. at Bobbitt's Chapel Church near Littleton, with burial in the church cemetery. The Rev. Joe Riggan officiated, assisted by the Rev. Leroy Stewart.

Mrs. Riggan was educated in the Halifax County public schools and Oxford College. She was a lifelong member of Bobbitt's Chapel Baptist Church.

Surviving are her husband, Thomas T. Riggan; four daughters, Mrs. Myles M. Walker of Springfield, Mass., Mrs. Samuel M. Millette of Charlotte, Mrs. Thomas L. Camp of Roanoke Rapids, and Mrs. Carl T. Barr of Butler, Pa.; two sons, Arthur G. and Thomas W., both of Littleton; four sisters, Mrs. J. O. Sledge of Louisburg, Miss Viola Mae Bobbitt of Littleton, Mrs. John Seltz of Buffalo, N. Y., and Mrs. H. H. Simpson of Newton Grove; four brothers, Claude T. Bobbitt of Henderson, Paul L. Cecil and Maynard Bobbitt, all of Littleton; and six grandchildren.

Churchill HD Club Has Picnic Supper

Members of the Churchill Home Demonstration Club held their annual picnic supper on the grounds of the Educational Building on Wednesday evening, August 3, at 6:30.

A bountiful supper was served to twelve members and their families, Mr. and Mrs. L. B. Hardage and Pam, Miss Emily Ballinger, Mr. and Mrs. Herbert Pope and Mrs. Edwin Burrows.

During the recreation hour Mr. Hardage and Miss Ballinger showed slides.

Birth And Death
 Mr. and Mrs. Terry Gray of Littleton announce the birth and death of a son in Warren General Hospital on August 11.


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Mrs. O. T. Gupton Buried On Monday

Funeral services for Mrs. Othella T. Gupton, 70, of Route 4, Louisburg were conducted from the Centerville Baptist Church Monday at 3 p. m. by the pastor, the Rev. T. H. Steen, the Rev. Ralph Cleh, pastor of Saints Delight Free Will Baptist Church, and the Rev. Henry Green, pastor of Hickory Rock Baptist Church. Interment was in the church cemetery.

Mrs. Gupton died on Saturday. She was the sister of Mrs. J. P. Leonard of Norfolk.

Other survivors include two daughters, Mrs. Ashley Wood and — Anna Gupton, both of Route 4, Louisburg; one son, Wilbur Gupton of Route 4, Louisburg; a sister, Mrs. Daisy House of Route 2, Louisburg; and two brothers, Henry and J. W. Thompson, both of Route 2, Louisburg.

Business College To Open September 6

HENDERSON—Mr. and Mrs. Charles W. Mason of Henderson recently purchased the Henderson Business College. For the past month the school has been closed in order that a license could be obtained from the State Board of Education. During this period all the equipment in the school was reconditioned and the school was cleaned and redecorated.

License have been obtained from the State Board of Education for the coming year. Classes will begin from September 6 and a full enrollment limited to thirty students is anticipated for the fall.

John R. White Makes Honor Roll At UNC

HENDERSON—John Richard White, son of Mrs. Lucille White, Route 3, and the late John H. White, was listed among 25 students who were on the honor roll at the University of North Carolina School of Pharmacy for the spring semester ending in June. Dean E. A. Brock has

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