

By District Supervisors

# Soil Stewardship Observance Set

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This year we will observe Soil Stewardship the week of May 27 to June 3. This will remind us of our benefits and responsibilities to our natural resources.

The Warren Soil and Water Conservation District supervisors have wisely decided to participate in Soil Stewardship Week by providing conservation brochures to our local churches. These pamphlets may be used as bulletin inserts on Sunday, May 27, the first day of Soil Stewardship Week or on Sunday, June 3.

The theme this year is "Conservation—A Common Commitment." It should stimulate us to be more dedicated conservationists. Soil Conservation is essential to produce adequate food and fiber needed by this world's exploding population.

Conservation is the wise use of our natural resources in a way that does not destroy, damage or waste them. Good conservation is not only the application of engineering practices such as grass waterways, terraces and field borders, but also practices such as no-till planting, contour farming, crop residue management and strip cropping system.

A good conservation cropping system includes small grain, grass and hay crops in rotation with row crops. We need to make a comprehensive approach to achieve the ultimate protection of our natural resources.

Conservation not only protects our natural resources, but also improves the aesthetic value of our landscape. It is a pleasing scene to ride through the country treated with practices such as lush pastures, contour farming and strip-cropping.

May Soil Stewardship Week encourage us all to become better guardians of our natural resources. With proper conservation we will have adequate food and fiber now and for generations in the future.



Miss Emily Ballinger, (left) home economics extension agent, and Miss Catherine Brown, president of The Warren County Extension Homemakers Council, congratulate Kelly Jo Ayscue (center), a recipient of a \$400 scholarship awarded by the North Carolina Extension Homemakers Association, Inc. (Staff Photo)

# Miss Kelly Ayscue Wins Grant From Homemakers

Kelly Jo Ayscue, a senior at Warren County High School, has been awarded a \$400 scholarship by the North Carolina Extension Homemakers Association, Inc. This is one of 12 scholarships for college study that the Association awarded to youths in the state.

Kelly will use the scholarship at Vance-Granville Community College where she will pursue a course of study in preparation to becoming a physical therapist. She plans to transfer to East

Carolina University following a year at Vance-Granville.

Scholarship recipients are selected on the basis of financial need, scholarship potential, and activities and honors. Kelly has been a member of the Eagles Chorus for four years, serving at times as pianist; a member of the annual staff; and active in Norlina Baptist Church where she is a member of the choir. Her honors include being a member of the Society of Distinguished

High School Students and being listed in "Who's Who Among American High School Students."

The Jane S. McKimmon, Dazelle F. Lowe and Estelle T. Smith Loan Funds were established by the North Carolina Association of Extension Home Economists and the North Carolina Extension Homemakers Association as a tribute to three pioneers in Home Economics Extension work. In 1977, the principal from these funds was invested to provide scholarships for college students. The Warren County Extension Homemakers Club members and Extension Agents have contributed to these funds annually.

Kelly is the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Arch Ayscue of Norlina.

# Leaders Association Has Gathering Here

By MAMIE KERSEY  
Warren County 4-H Leaders Association met Monday night, May 21, at 7:30 p. m. in Mariam Boyd School.

The meeting was called to order by the president Jeanetta West. Devotion was given by the president and minutes were read by the secretary, Mary Jefferson, and approved.

Roll call of each club followed and the treasurer's report was given in the June meeting.

Mrs. Portia Barnes gave highlights on the Atlanta Tour. The tour

will be July 27-29. Mrs. Barnes is asking each person to recruit additional people for the tour.

George Koonce, extension agent, 4-H, talked about summer camp and enlisting new members for the camp. One does not have to be a 4-H'er to attend. Any youth age 9 to 19 is eligible. For more information, those interested should contact the extension office in Warrenton. Koonce also stated that a minimum of 10 could attend the 4-H Congress.

The Leaders Association will grant \$150 to the North Carolina 4-H Congress delegates' trip.

Activity Day is June 9 with demonstrations and 4-H entertainment. Glenn Woolard, extension agent, gave highlights of the bicycle rodeo and the bike ride. He is asking the support of all parents.

The meeting adjourned with the club motto.

# 4-H Club Meets To Hear Deputy

By JAMES POWELL  
The Northern Vaughan 4-H Club held its regular meeting Monday, May 14, at 7:30 p. m.

The group was privileged to have Warren County Sheriff's Deputy Lawrence Harrison as the guest speaker. He gave a very interesting talk on crime and drug prevention.

The club is now selling tickets for the King's Dominion trip. The cost is \$16 per person.

The meeting was adjourned with the 4-H motto and refreshments were then served.

# Mayflower Homemakers Hold Monthly Meeting

By DOLLY NICHOLSON  
The Mayflower Homemakers Extension Club held its monthly meeting at the Mayflower Clubhouse on May 14, at 2 p. m.

The president, Mrs. Geannie Perry, called the meeting to order. The group sang a hymn and repeated the Collect. Six members were present.

Miss Emily Ballinger, home economics extension agent, gave the program on food safety and food preservation. She stated that one of the causes of flu or viruses may be the improper handling of foods or improper storage of foods. Foods should not be left out on the counter or picnic tables for more than two hours. Anytime after that, bacteria has a chance to build.

She also stated that it is safe to store hot foods, such as stews or soups, in the refrigerator. But she cautioned that they should not be stored in large pots or containers because the outside of the container or pot will cool while the middle portion retains its heat, thus allowing bacteria to build. The container used to store food in the refrigerator should not be more than three inches deep. Cold foods

should be kept below 40 degrees and hot foods kept above 140 degrees. In other words: keep cold foods cold and hot foods hot.

Miss Ballinger also stressed that if these methods are followed, we would be able to benefit and enjoy nutritious and appetizing meals without fear and complications of food poisoning.

As usual, the program was very interesting and educational.

After discussing various repairs for our clubhouse, the meeting was brought to a close

by everyone repeating the Homemakers Creed.

The hostess, Mrs. Horace Perry, served sandwiches, potato chips, cake and fruit punch.

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