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Local Pupils Facing Longer Day Of School

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A state law requiring public school students to have at least 5.5 hours of classroom instruction each day beginning this fall will probably mean an additional 20 minutes in the school day locally, according to Warren County Schools Superintendent Michael F. Williams.

Williams said he will present to the County Board of Education at its March meeting a plan for implementation of the law as embodied in the Elementary and Secondary Education Act of 1984.

Currently, classes in all nine county schools begin around 8:30 a.m.

Elementary students are dismissed at 2:30 p.m., middle school students at 2:45 p.m. and high school students at 3 p.m.

Although all students are now spending at least six hours at school, all of those hours are not spent in classroom instruction.

Homeroom, lunch break, study hall, and recess are among the periods that do not qualify as instructional time, Williams said.

He said he anticipated "no scheduling problem whatsoever" in gearing up for the lengthened day by the beginning of the next school year.

Craft Fair Is Planned Here

The third annual Spring Craft Fair will be held at the Warrenton National Guard Armory on Saturday, April 26, according to Mrs. Karen White of the fair committee.

"The Craft Fair has become a favorite event in Warrenton," Mrs. White said. "There will be a variety of crafters present to once again make this an exciting day with something for everyone, young or old."

The fair, with no admission charge, will open to the public at 10 a.m., at which time country ham biscuits, sausage biscuits, homemade baked goods, Brunswick stew and hot dogs will be on sale. Brunswick stew may also be purchased for \$3.50 per quart and carried home.

There will be spaces for 58 crafters and the fair will close at 4 p.m.

All crafters are urged to call Mrs. Karen White after 1 p.m. to reserve a space as soon as possible. Her number is 257-4145.



Red Cross Bloodservices Chairman Alice R. Robertson is shown above with blood donor William Leonard, a Norlina town commissioner, at Monday's Bloodmobile at the Lion's Den. A total of 101 pints of blood were donated in the local effort.

(Staff Photo by Howard Jones)

Directors Are Elected By Committee Of 100

The Warren County Committee of 100, formed last fall by interested citizens to foster economic development in the county, elected a 22-member board of directors last week.

The committee's goals for this year, announced at its inception, are a membership of 350, contributions of \$50,000 and location in the county of at least one industry employing 100 people.

Elected to the board were: Attorney Floyd B. McKissick, Jr.; County Commissioner Francis L. Alston; Warrenton Mayor B. G. White; BB&T City Executive Cal White; CP&L Area Manager James Parnell; James Crenshaw, D.D., with Crenshaw and Massey, P.A.; Robert U. Jenkins, owner of Fashion Cleaners; Jennie Johnson Franklin, media supervisor for Warren County Schools; David Gardner of Warrenton Furniture Exchange; Ann Peel of Halifax Electric Membership Corporation; Maybelle Hueber, manager, Leggett of Warrenton; Lewis H. Myers, assistant secretary, N.C. Department of Commerce; Lake Gaston developer John T. Nelson of Nelson & Harris; James R. Hill, director of personnel and purchasing, Owens-Illinois; Bonnie Stay; Warrenton commissioner and local businessman Eddie Q. Clayton; County Economic Developer Cathy J. Wilson; Omelia Spruill; Bradley Carroll,

vice president, First Citizens Bank; Dr. John Thomas with the Agricultural Investment Fund of Washington, D.C.; Joseph S. Lennon, proprietor of Warren Nursing Center; and Karl Hehl, owner of Carriage Fuel & Oil Co. As of Monday, a total of \$10,081 had been raised.

About 80 memberships have been recorded, according to Loria Dunston, secretary in the Economic Development office. Some individuals have signed up for memberships in both their and their company's names, Ms. Dunston said, and others have contributed over and above the fee required for membership.

Some 42 Cases On Local Court Docket

Forty-two cases are on the docket for Monday's criminal session of Warren County Superior Court, including those of two Matthews men charged with the shooting and armed robbery of Floyd McKissick, Jr. in January.

Both David Matthews Horton and Robert Martin Keziah are charged with assault with a deadly weapon and armed robbery in connection with the incident in which McKissick was shot in the arm at his family's convenience store at the Ridgeway exit of I-85.

Judge Donald Smith will preside.

Successful Red Cross Event Held

Monday's Red Cross Bloodmobile was termed "very successful" by Bloodservices Chairman Alice R. Robertson, with 101 donors giving a total of 101 pints.

A. B. Hair and Broadus G. Vernon were given pins in recognition of their donation, to date, of four gallons of blood.

John Andrews was awarded a pin for donating three gallons and Billie V. Proctor, Charles L. Powell, Clint L. Hege, Ruby W. Jones and James L. Gray were given pins for donating two gallons.

Donors receiving pins for donating to date one gallon of blood were: Sylvia T. Green, Margaret Ann Brame, Betsy F. Frazier, David Proctor, Charles Duncan, James Macon Myrick, David Spence, Norma J. Pulley, Winnifred Thompson, Barbara Walker and Raymond Vaughan.

Also, Tommie C. Thompson, Ruby Paynter, Cheryl R. Smith, Allen A. Kearney, Charles A. Hayes, Alice R. Robertson and Phyllis D. Holtzman.

"We owe a special thanks to Beulah Hardy, LPN; Sadie Yancey, LPN; and Mary Groves, RN for donating their time to take blood pressures and to Hardee's for providing cups and napkins," Mrs. Robertson added.

A total of 118 people volunteered to donate blood, but 17 were deferred due to low iron, Mrs. Robertson said.

The next Bloodmobile will be Monday, April 28 at the Lion's Den from noon to 4 p.m. It will be sponsored by the Warrenton Woman's Club.

Home Is Emptied Of Its Furniture

A Warren County home near the Vicksboro community was broken into recently and almost completely emptied of furniture, according to a spokesman with the Warren County Sheriff's Department.

Marie Cheek Johnson of Rt. 2, was away from her home visiting relatives between Feb. 5 and 20, and sometime during that period thieves entered her house and made away with a variety of household goods from telephones to antique furniture.

The burglary was one of several reported recently in the county in which antique furnishings have been stolen.

There is no evidence to link the most recent break-in with the ones preceding it, but the department spokesman said the investigation was continuing.

Deputy J. M. Alston investigated the incident.

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Warren To Join In Consortium With 3 Others

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Warren County commissioners last Wednesday night authorized Warren County's participation with Franklin, Granville and Person counties in the Kerr-Tar Job Training Consortium for the distribution of government funds and administration of programs as designated for the four-county area under the Job Training Partnership Act.

The four counties constitute a "service delivery area" for administrative purposes and each county is represented in the consortium, Neil Mallory, executive director of the Kerr-Tar Region Council of Governments, told county commissioners.

There are 26 service areas in the state which administer the Job Training Program under the auspices of the N.C. Department of Natural Resources and Community Development and the N.C. Job Training Coordinating Council.

Eva M. Clayton, chairperson of the commissioners, was named to represent the county in the consortium.

The board also authorized the county's continued participation in the Kerr-Tar Private Industry Council.

The council is composed of 21 members from the four-county area.

Appointed to the council were: Jim Hill, director of personnel and purchasing at Owens-Illinois; James Parnell, area manager with Carolina Power & Light Co.; and James Wilkerson, principal of Warren County High School.

In other business, the board:

—Approved a resolution proclaiming 1986 "A Year of Partnership for the Public's Health," as presented by County Health Director Dennis Retzlaff. The proclamation is part of a year-long emphasis recently approved by the County Board of Health;

—Approved an agreement with St. Augustine's College in Raleigh to provide technical assistance to the county in application for a Community Development Block Grant, conducting a countywide housing survey and planning

Investigation Under Way In House Fire

Investigation is continuing in a fire in which arson is suspected at an unoccupied dwelling in Warren County last Wednesday night.

Warren County Sheriff's Deputies Lawrence Harrison and Mack McGowan are heading the investigation locally, assisted by agents from the State Bureau of Investigation. Chief Deputy Bobby Dean Bolton said on Tuesday they are awaiting reports from the SBI lab.

The four-room house, owned by Mrs. Hargie Andrews and located on the Baltimore Road, was not occupied at the time of the fire shortly after 8:30 p.m., according to Kenny Clayton of the Warrenton Rural Fire Department.

Clayton said the house had been empty since an earlier fire on Dec. 29 in which firemen had assumed a refrigerator to be the cause.

The fire last week resulted in substantial damage to the interior of the house, but the wood-frame is still standing, Clayton said. When firemen arrived flames were in three of the four rooms and coming out the sides through the windows, he noted.

There was no electricity in the house at the time of the second fire.

economic development strategies.

The services have been available to the county through a grant from the U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development.

—Appointed Bettie Richardson with the Warren County Council for Senior Citizens, to the Domiciliary Home Community Advisory Committee.

—Voted to have only one meeting during the month of March, on the 10th. The board had to reschedule its March 3 meeting because of the attendance of County Manager Charles J. Worth, Mrs. Clayton and Commissioners Francis Alston and J. T. Fleming at the 1986 Legislative Conference of the National Association of Counties in Washington, D.C.

Warren Bridge Closing Listed

The Division of Highways of the N.C. Department of Transportation (NCDOT) has closed a section of Shepard Road (Secondary Road 1133) between Vicksboro and Elberon for replacement of a bridge over Shocco Creek.

NCDOT has contracted with Sanford Construction Co. of Sanford to build the new structure.

During the construction, traffic is being detoured over Vicksboro Road (Secondary Road 1134). The detour is five miles long.

According to Board of Transportation Member Jim Peden of Raleigh, the estimated cost of construction is \$284,000. Completion is expected by September.



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Active Jaycee Award Received

Ricky Bryant, a director of the Warren County Jaycees, was recognized Saturday as one of the five most active Jaycees in North Carolina for the previous three months. Bryant received a plaque from State Jaycee President Jerry Wall during an awards ceremony in High Point and was named a member of the "GO TEAM."

Bryant's accomplishments during the quarter included 100 percent participation in local club projects during the holiday season and contributing to meetings and attendance as well as membership growth and retention.

Attending the High Point event with Bryant were Kenny Clayton, club president, and Rodney Stamper, treasurer.



Legislators representing Warren County last week presented each school in the public school system with a North Carolina flag, courtesy of the General Assembly. The flags were presented during a meeting of the Warren County Education Task Force Thursday night at Warren County High School. Shown above are (front row, left to right): Warren County High Principal James Wilkerson, Vaughan Elementary Principal Shirley White, Northside Elementary Principal Henry Green,

22nd District Rep. John Church; South Warren Principal Lucious Hawkins and 7th District Rep. Frank Ballance; (second row) Hawkins Elementary Principal Joe Richardson, North Warren Principal Costel Evans, John Graham Principal W. T. Ramey, 2nd District Sen. J. J. (Monk) Harrington, Norlina Middle School Principal Clint Hege, and Mariam Boyd Principal Walt Sweeney.

(Community Schools Photo by Mary Hunter)