

The Warren Record

More Money Could Flow Into Warren

Warren County's coffers could be about \$140,000 richer soon, if the applications submitted last week are reviewed with favor, County Manager Charles Worth said this week.

An application for a grant of \$120,000 was submitted last Friday to the N.C. Housing Finance Agency Energy Conservation and Housing Rehabilitation Incentive Program for an energy conservation project. If the funds are received, efforts would be made to provide storm windows and doors, boiler and furnace repairs and other weatherization maintenance in the housing of low-income Warren County residents. Unlike the Community Development Block Grant (CDBG) funds that have been received in years past and targeted for rehabilitation projects in specific communities here, the energy conservation monies would be used for the benefit of residents county wide, including the municipalities of Warrenton, Macon and Norlina.

The application for the smaller amount—\$20,000—has been sent to the N.C. Department of Natural Resources Office of Land Records Management Program. If received, the funds will be used to continue the county's multi-year \$374,000 mapping project begun with the \$10,000 grant received last year from the Land Records Management Program. The \$10,000 grant, along with \$10,000 in matching funds allocated by the county, was used for aerial photographs of Warren County.

The newly-requested \$20,000 will be used for more specific mapping, including cadastral maps that will show the physical topography of the area. When completed, the mapping project will be of benefit to the tax and finance offices here, as well as county emergency responders in their search-and-rescue efforts.

According to Worth, notification of the status of Warren County's applications for funds for the two projects should be received within the next 30-60 days.

Missing Cougar Found In Warren

The solution to the puzzle of the disappearing 1980 Cougar that vanished recently from Oak Plaza Shopping Center in Oxford was provided Monday, when two Warren County deputies apprehended a suspect.

Fidencia Salazar, 19, of Rt. 1, Oxford had parked his vehicle at the shopping center on Sunday afternoon, but when he returned from making a purchase, his Cougar was nowhere to be found.

On Monday, Chief Deputy Bobby Dean Bolton found the missing Cougar in the Oine community, where it had been mired on S.R. 1213.

About 30 minutes later, Deputy Harold Seaman located the suspect.

Nicholas Menjivar, 30, a native of Salvadore, was found attempting to cross I-85 on foot, near the Oine exit.

Menjivar was arrested and transported by Deputy Seaman to the Oxford Police Department. He has been confined to the Granville County Jail under a \$5,000 to await trial on July 27 on one count of felony-grade larceny, Oxford Police Chief James H. Waugh said Tuesday. The car has been returned to Granville County also, the police chief said.

Shearin Elected

Warren County Commissioner George Shearin, Sr. has been elected to serve a two-year term on the Board of Directors of the North Carolina Association of County Commissioners. He was elected to the post during the group's 81st Annual Conference held here on July 14-17.



Prior to this week's downpours, area farmers found it necessary to provide "artificial rain" for their crops. Although other areas have been plagued by drought conditions that threaten to af-

fect sales in the 1988 market, Warren County farmers will have little to fear when the Warrenton Tobacco Market opens its doors on Aug. 10. (Staff Photo by Phyllis H. King)

Warren Given \$752,444 For Roads Road Evaluation Process Is Explained

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Warren County has been earmarked a recipient of \$752,444 of the \$65,733,077 doled out recently for the 1988-89 fiscal year by the state Department of Transportation for secondary road construction in an effort to eliminate a portion of the thousands of miles of unpaved roads in North Carolina, George E. Wells, DOT state highway administrator, said recently.

According to Wells, the state has completed a study of all state-maintained secondary roads in each county. Based on this study, each county's allocation is based on the ratio of the county's unpaved state-maintained secondary roads and the total number of unpaved state-maintained secondary roads in North Carolina, times the state-wide appropriation for secondary construction.

For the purpose of that calculation, Warren County's unpaved mileage as of Jan. 1 of this year was recorded as 192.65.

The report shows a total of 620.96 miles of roads in Warren County in the total state highway system. Of this distance, 428.03 miles are paved; 192.93 miles are unpaved. The discrepancy in reported figures results from .28 mile of Warren County roadway that is a part of the state

urban system. The state urban system records separately state system mileage located inside municipalities, Wells explained.

Allocations made to neighboring counties are as follows: Franklin—\$543,291 (139.10 miles), Northampton—\$445,920 (114.17), Vance—\$289,065 (74.01) and Halifax—\$627,265 (160.60).

Wells said that requests made by Warren County residents to the Warren County Board of County Commissioners are forwarded to the Department of Transportation for review.

The road in question is then evaluated based on three criteria: (1) Land Use and Public Service Characteristics, (2) Traffic Characteristics and (3) General Route Characteristics.

The following components comprise the Land Use and Public Service Rating. (The subtotal of those components is divided by the length of the road in question, but not less than one mile.)

- Homes (6 points per home; 3 points per seasonal home)
- Schools (10 points each)
- Churches (10 points each)
- Businesses (5 points each)
- Recreational facilities (5 points each)

Traffic Characteristics evaluated are the existence of a school bus route (10 points) and the average annual 24-hour traffic volume.

The 10-point value for the General Route Characteristics category is based on the "value of the road as a county thoroughfare," Wells explained.

According to Wells, unpaved subdivision roads that have been added to the state-maintained

Leaf Market To Open Here On August 10

The patter of the auctioneer's pitch will sound like music to the ears of buyers for the 1988 crop when the Warrenton Tobacco Market opens its doors on Wednesday, Aug. 10.

"We're looking forward to a good crop, Warrenton Tobacco Market Sales Supervisor Mrs. Alice Robertson said this week. "Even though there have been severe drought conditions in some areas, we have not been that badly affected in Warren County," she observed.

According to Mrs. Robertson, 7,080,766 pounds of tobacco have been designated to Warren County warehouses. "That's an increase over the poundage from last year, and we hope to pick up even more during redesignation," Mrs. Robertson said.

The initial designation period for farmers ended on April 15. A number of Warren County tobacco farmers traditionally wait until the annual sales begin before designating the warehouse of their choice, the sales supervisor said.

A total of 6,319,540 pounds of tobacco was sold in the Warrenton Tobacco Market last year.

This year's growth of over 750,000 pounds in designations to date, as compared with last year's total sales, is due to the increase in the allotments given to area farmers that permitted them to plant more tobacco, Mrs. Robertson said.

Notification of the opening date was received by Mrs. Robertson last Friday in a memorandum sent from the U.S. Department of Agriculture.

Although the opening date is set, she explained, the drawing for the locations of the first, second and third sales will take place tonight (Wednesday) when the Warrenton Tobacco Market Board of Trade meets at 8 p.m.

Once the locations of the first three sales have been set, two sales will be held each week.

According to Mrs. Robertson, during the first week, two back-to-back sales will be held: Wednesday, Aug. 10 and Thursday, Aug. 11.

The Warrenton Tobacco Market, a member of the Middle Belt, will share buyers with the Henderson Market this year, Mrs. Robertson said.

In past years, buyers have been shared with the Louisburg market.

Bond Sales Listed

Sales of United States Savings Bonds in Warren County during the second quarter of fiscal year 1988, January through March, totaled \$25,386, Mace T. Coleman, volunteer state chairman of the U.S. Savings Bonds program in North Carolina said this week.

Is Accomplished Scholar

New Physician Joins Warren Health Plan

A new physician has joined the staff of the Vance-Warren Comprehensive Health Plan, L. C. Cooper, VWCHP chairman of the board, announced this week.

Dr. Gladstone A. Sellers, a general practitioner, began work at the Soul City and Warrenton sites on July 11.

The physician is a 1980 alumnus of Georgia Institute of Technology in Atlanta, Ga., where he was a George M. Weinstein scholar and received a bachelor of chemical engineering degree. One semester of his undergraduate training was also spent in England at the University College in London.

A 1984 graduate of the Emory University School of Medicine in

Atlanta, Ga., his internship, junior-, senior- and chief-residencies were completed this year at the Medical University of South Carolina in Charleston.

An accomplished scholar, Dr. Sellers has authored two papers. "Thrombocytosis in an Iron-deficient Patient" has been accepted for publication by the *Southern Medical Journal*. Negotiations are under way for the publication of the second article, "Anaphylactic Reaction to a Monobactam Antibiotic: Azactam."

Dr. Sellers is married to the former Margaret Carren Henderson of Atlanta, Ga. They reside in Henderson with their son, Trey, age 21 months.

Seven Warren Residents Needed To Help With Upcoming Census

When the 21st Decennial Census of Population and Housing is conducted in 1990, input will have been received from Warren County, thanks to the efforts of the seven area residents who will have served as paid workers in the initial phase of the project.

From among a pool of about 40 persons who will be tested here on Thursday, July 28, these seven persons will be selected. For their work as local enumerators, who have been charged with the task of knocking on doors and obtaining complete addresses, these seven persons will be compensated at a rate of \$5.50 per hour and 21 cents per mile.

But, there will be a non-tangible reward as well: the knowledge that their efforts may result in financial gain for Warren County.

The goal of the listing operation is to obtain a complete list of addresses in the state. Based on the list prepared by the seven temporary workers, a census questionnaire will be mailed by the

Bureau of the Census in March of 1990 to every identifiable Warren County household. A comprehensive 20-page questionnaire will also be mailed to one in every six.

Because all political districts are based on census figures, billions of dollars of public money is allocated on the head count recorded in the national tally. An inaccurate count of Warren County residents—a count that is too low—will result in a failure to receive funds for which the area would otherwise be eligible.

According to William F. Hill, regional director of the Charlotte-based office of the Census Bureau, about 1,000 North Carolinians will be hired for the important list-making project. The seven Warren County workers will be among the 2,300 persons hired in North Carolina, South Carolina, Tennessee, Virginia, Kentucky and the District of Columbia—the region served by the Charlotte-based office of the Census Bureau—to conduct the prelistings. "The census is the

largest peacetime operation the government does," Brian Monaghan, assistant manager for the Charlotte office said recently.

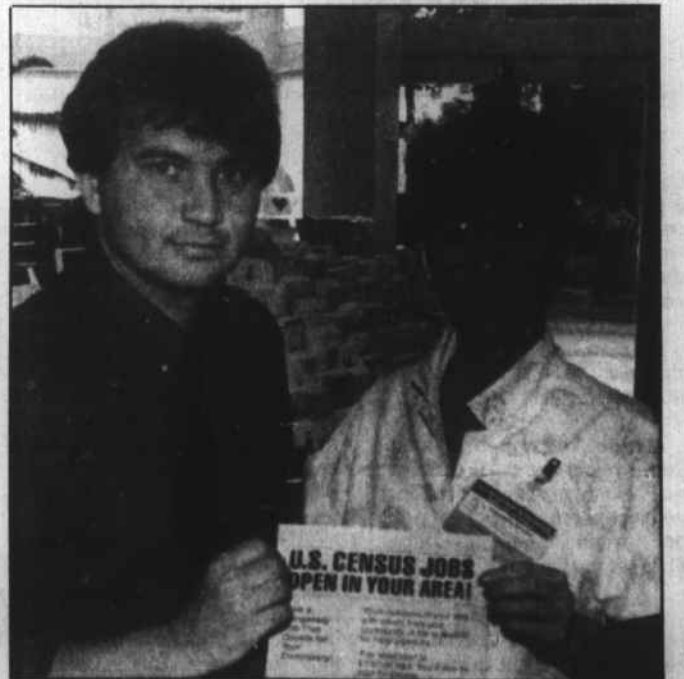
Persons with interest in being considered for employment as local enumerators should report to the jury rooms of the Warren County Courthouse on Thursday, July 28 in time for testing at 10 a.m. and 1 p.m.

Damage Reported

An estimated \$1,000 in property damage was done last weekend by a person or persons who unlawfully entered Warren County High School.

Following receipt of a report on July 17, the school was found to have been entered by vandals who had broken a window on the back side of the building.

Damages reported included a broken soda machine in the teachers' lounge, entry into the cabinet shop and a number of broken windows.



Linda Whisenhunt and Timothy Hudgins, both employees at the Research Triangle Park in Durham, are shown encouraging Warren County residents to get involved in the government's mammoth address-taking effort that will be done in preparation for the 1990 census. From the 40 persons tested at 10 a.m. and 1 p.m. on July 28 in the Warren County Courthouse jury rooms, seven area residents will be hired to travel door-to-door here and collect accurate addresses. The address list will be the basis of the mailing of the questionnaires that will be sent in 1990 by the U.S. Bureau of the Census. (Staff Photo by Howard Jones)