



PRESENTED AWARD — T. Clyde Auman (left) of West End is shown presenting the Algernon Sydney Sullivan Award from Associate Dean Robert Anderson (right) at the St. Andrews Presbyterian College Commencement on Sunday. Mrs. Ann McLean (center) accepted the award made posthumously to her husband, Dr. David A. McLean.

## Auman Given St. Andrews Top Award With McLean

T. Clyde Auman, former member of the North Carolina House of Representatives from West End, was presented with the prestigious Algernon Sydney Sullivan Award at the May 16 commencement of St. Andrews Presbyterian College in Laurinburg.

The Sullivan Award is conferred in recognition of spiritual and humanitarian qualities practically applied to daily living.

Another Moore County native, Dr. David A. McLean, was posthumously honored with the same award. His widow, Ann McLean, accepted the award.

Auman is a peach farmer and an active member of the West End Presbyterian Church.

St. Andrews President Alvin P. Perkinson, Jr. met Auman five years ago, and has high praise for the former State Representative.

"Clyde Auman is an unusually fine person, a strong churchman and a first-rate human being. If anyone deserves this kind of recognition, he does," said Perkinson.

An awards committee spokesman described Auman as a person of "nobility and unselfish service to his fellow man."

"Auman's qualities have expressed themselves in every facet of his life-family man, peach farmer, church leader, Representative.

## Whitaker Quits SCS For Regional Office

Charles L. Whitaker, conservationist with the Moore County Soil Conservation District since 1978, has resigned in order to accept the position of resource conservation and development coordinator for Region H Council of Governments.

Whitaker will assume his new duties on June 1.

In his new position the career conservationist will be coordinating RC&D activities in the counties of Richmond, Montgomery, Anson and Moore.

Region H was designated an RC&D area in February by the North Carolina Soil Conservation Service, an arm of the U.S. Department of Agriculture.

Major objective of the program is prudent use, management and protection of natural resources with consideration given to social and economic benefits to the people.

The seven active RC&D areas in North Carolina are among 194 across the nation which share in some \$32 million

## Summer Music Program Is Coming To Sandhills

There will be a new sound among the pines and greens of Pinehurst this summer.

For one month beginning June 26, 80 musicians handpicked from the conservatories and universities of this country will attend master classes, rehearse and perform in preparation for a four week tour of Germany and Italy as part of the 15th International Music Program of the North Carolina School of the Arts.

This means that everyone within driving distance of the Sandhills has access to a month long music festival with a variety of musical events akin to that of the Spoleto Festival in Charleston, which precedes it a few weeks.

In keeping with the musical festival spirit there will be music everywhere. Full orchestral concerts in the Cardinal Ballroom of the Pinehurst Hotel, Chamber Music in the pillared lobby of the original Pinehurst Country Club, outdoor jazz concerts by the gazebo at the hotel swimming pool, plus a free concert in the

# Some Budgets Approved But Schools 'Awe' Officials

BY FLORENCE GILKESON

In a surprising show of unanimity the Moore County Board of Commissioners agreed Monday night to approve a series of budget proposals, including the coroner, the Cameron school project, social services, and the fire service districts.

The board also voted unanimously to approve a wastewater treatment budget which will mean a 92-cent rate for Southern Pines, Pinehurst and Aberdeen. The rate, which is charged per 1000 gallons, represents an increase of more than 10 cents.

Recreation and youth services budget requests were presented, but no action was taken.

Thursday, May 28, was set as the date for the presentation of the budget message by County Administrator Larry Moubry. The meeting will be held at 4 p.m. in the courtroom of the old courthouse in Carthage and will be devoted only to the budget message, which will be a summary of county

departmental needs and other budget-related matters.

Amid speculation that the board might abolish the constitutional office of coroner simply by eliminating the coroner's budget, the board went ahead and approved a \$4,230 budget request from Coroner A.B. Parker. This budget, one of the smallest in the county, has been separated this year from the larger budget covering the expenses of the medical examiner system, which includes the \$50 fee paid per case to medical examiners, set by state law, and autopsy expenses.

Dr. Charles Phillips, board chairman, expressed himself in favor of abolishing the office altogether but commended Parker for his work.

"The reason we keep the coroner is because of the fine work of A.B. Parker. He's worth every penny and is to be commended for his work and this budget," Phillips said as the board approved the budget.

The coroner pointed out that

the budget does not include payments for trips to testify in court, covering his time and mileage, nor does it include the camera which he owns and uses to take photographs at death scenes. He does charge the county for the film and other expenses for the photography work. Parker explained that the old camera owned by the county is no longer usable, and he bought one of his own to use in his work. The pictures are needed by hospital pathologists in certain death cases.

The \$4,230 budget includes \$3,260 in death call fees and

operating expenses. The coroner is paid a set fee of \$35 per death call.

Parker reported that he has answered 93 death calls, including 50 natural deaths, 23 accidents, 13 homicides, and seven suicides.

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## Moore Group Backs Good Roads Program

Proponents of Gov. James B. Hunt's highway improvement program are becoming more vocal as they boost legislation which includes, among other things, a three-cent gas tax increase.

A Moore County delegation went to Raleigh Thursday for a rally of the North Carolinians for Good Roads.

Headed by Bob Hunt of Pinehurst, the Moore countians learned that without additional

## Memorial Day Death Toll Of 16 Predicted For NC

The N.C. State Motor Club, estimating 16 people could lose their lives in traffic accidents on North Carolina streets and highways over the long Memorial Day weekend, urged motorists to drive with care during the holiday period.

The state will count its toll over a 78-hour period from 6 p.m. Friday, May 22, until midnight Monday, May 25.

Last year 17 fatalities and 817 injuries were recorded for a similar period of time while 18 died in 1979.

Crime Control and Public Safety Secretary Burley Mitchell has announced that North Carolina will again join 47 other states this Memorial Day weekend in implementing Operation CARE (Combined Accident Reduction Effort).

Mitchell said, "Memorial Day unofficially marks the beginning of summer and brings with it heavy holiday traffic. The recent Easter weekend, in which the number of traffic deaths were less than half the number killed during the same weekend in 1980, proves that with the cooperation of the motoring public and the hard work of the Highway Patrol

## Japanese Educators Pay Visit To Region Today

A group of six Japanese pre-fectural education leaders will visit the Sandhills today (Wednesday).

In October of 1980 a United States education delegation that included State Superintendent A. Craig Phillips and State Board of Education Chairman H. David Bruton visited Japan.

This return visit is sponsored by the Japan-United States Friendship Commission, the National Association of State Boards of Education, the Council of Chief

## Water Mystery In Village

The water situation at Whispering Pines has cleared up, but Carolina Water Service, which owns the village water system, apparently is no closer to solving the mystery of how chlorine showed up in the golf course sprinklers.

CWS has sent letters to the approximately 650 customers rescinding an earlier order calling for the boiling of drinking water.

Chemical and bacteriological tests of the water system have revealed no evidence of contamination, according to one

## County Refuses To Pay Bill; Carthage Board To Retaliate

BY WOODROW WILHOIT

The Carthage Town Board at their regular meeting Monday night unanimously voted that beginning July 1 they would cut off the street lights around the Moore County Courthouse, stop garbage pickup at the county buildings, and unless the remainder of the costs for the current year is paid for these services then court action would be instituted to collect it.

It was also voted that since the new Court Facilities Building is not owned by the county but the private Pioneer Corporation that an appraisal be made of the building and taxed in accordance with state statute.

The move by the Carthage Board resulted from a letter received last week from the County Administrator to Town Clerk, Mrs. Waitzel Deese, in which he stated that the county would not pay for these services any longer and that the remainder owned for this fiscal year 1980-81 would not be paid.

The county has been paying \$6,987 annually for various services, Mrs. Deese stated.

Mrs. Deese said that before Mrs. Estelle Wicker retired as County Finance Officer that she sent a check to the town for \$3,500, and a week ago she, Mrs. Deese, sent a statement for the remainder for the period Jan. 1

## Step Taken On Manager; Abortion Issue Delayed

On a 3-2 vote Monday night the Moore County Board of Commissioners took the first step toward establishing the county manager form of government.

The action may have the effect of abolishing the position of county administrator, presently held by Larry Moubry.

Commissioner Tony Parker brought up the subject near the end of a five-hour meeting and asked if other commissioners were interested in pursuing the county manager form of government.

At 12 midnight Parker also asked for passage of a resolution supporting the abortion parental notification bill which has been introduced into the legislature. Action was not taken because this

## Pinecrest Senior Is Killed When Thrown From Auto Here

A 17-year old Pinecrest High School senior died late Thursday morning when she was thrown from the vehicle she was driving on Morganton Road near the school.

Kelly Dawn Anderson was taken by the Southern Pines Rescue Squad to Moore Memorial Hospital, where she was pronounced dead on arrival. She resided at 110 Montford St., Aberdeen.

Trooper J.T. Covington Jr. of the State Highway Patrol reported that Miss Anderson ran off the road in a sharp curve and struck an embankment, traveling 625 feet before overturning another 175 feet. Her body was thrown some 48 feet from the vehicle.

Death was attributed to a broken neck and massive head injuries.

The patrolman said that the driver was headed west on Morganton Road in the direction of U.S. 15-501 and was traveling at a high rate of speed. He expressed the opinion that she probably would have survived if her seat belt had been fastened.

Scene of the 11:30 accident was 0.2 mile east of the Pinecrest High School Road.

The Volvo stationwagon was described as a total loss.

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DEATH VEHICLE — Southern Pines Patrolman Ronnie Atkins and Trooper Ted Derr of the State Highway Patrol investigate the vehicle which crashed Thursday on Morganton Road, causing the death of 17-year-old Kelly Dawn Anderson of Aberdeen.—(Photo by Glenn M. Sides)

## THE PILOT LIGHT

LIQUOR BILL—The folks in Pinehurst got the word from Raleigh last Friday that Rep. Al Adams has withdrawn HB1 from the ABC committee where it had languished and worried resort operators in Mineral Springs Township since the first day of the 1981 legislative session.

Adams' bill would have repealed liquor-by-the-drink legislation for the township, which includes Pinehurst, the Country Club of North Carolina, Foxfire and Seven Lakes. Adams' explanation was that since the people in the township voted against Rep. Clyde Auman, who had introduced the bill allowing the mixed drink vote, they really didn't want liquor-by-the-drink sales.

In the meantime, however, the now-incorporated village of Pinehurst called a new referendum on mixed drink sales and the proposal passed overwhelmingly.

People knowledgeable in the ways of the legislature knew, of course, from the beginning that HB1 was not going to be approved by the legislators.

GUN BILL—Senator Charles Vickery last week introduced a bill in the State Senate that would prohibit any person convicted of a crime in North Carolina or any other state from obtaining a permit to purchase a pistol.

Vickery's bill also would outlaw the possession, sale or manufacture of cheap handguns known as "Saturday night