

feet, or 300 feet or 3,000 feet, no depth perception, because there is no land reference, just endless, endless white."  
"The pilot was nervous about the jump. He couldn't get my jump line, he wasn't taking corrections well. We got disoriented. I remembered I was going



**SKYDIVER** -- Miss Brittan Carroll, Anchorage Alaska, championship skydiver, hoped she would not seem masculine because she likes the sport. Even the jump boots don't lend weight to the petite 5 feet 3 inch jumpers fears.

to be coming from out of the sun along the horizon so I guided the plane. I told him to just head into the sun and I bailed on out. Of course I didn't hit real close to target, about a half a block away. There was frozen ice, water and leaves and stuff, tricky!!  
And what did it get her besides frostbite?

"I was made an honorary member of the United States Army Arctic Rangers. It was a full military service. There was an honor guard and a band at Ft. Richardson, Alaska. Maj. George Ferguson presented my wings to me. I received my master parachutist badge and a certificate saying I had enough jumps to be a master parachutist." They gave it to me on my birthday. There was a huge cake and they picked me up in a limousine with flags on the front. It was fun. It was a great honor I suppose."

Parachuting, although her main interest at present, is not Miss Carroll's only interest. Neither are all her titles related to skydiving. She sold paintings and worked as a computer operator eight months to get the money together to spend four months devoting her time to jumping. She was Miss Congeniality and second runner-up in the Miss Anchorage Pageant one year, and first runner-up one year. What was her talent?

"Singing and dancing and art. I designed my complete backdrop, it was eight feet tall by 32 feet long, painted it, arranged my dance routine, it was a modern dance, wrote it out and performed it. I also used to be a karate instructor."

All that before age 25?  
"When I was raised, my mother introduced us to lots of things, or allowed us to introduce ourselves very early. She started me drawing when I was two, swimming when I was three and by four I was allowed to compete in swimming. At seven years old I was learning to type and could type 50 words per minute by 10. We had a lot of books. Anything I am because of the way my mother handled me."

Mr. and Mrs. John Nagy of Anchorage are the mother and stepfather of Miss Carroll. "My whole family has been behind me 120 percent in everything I do," she said. How did she start jumping?

"When I was eight years old I wanted to be a paratrooper. Not because I wanted to be in the Army, but because I wanted to jump out of planes. I love to be up high. When I was 10 they told me I couldn't be a paratrooper. And so when I was 19, my girlfriend said she was going to take skydiving so we took it together. She made 13 jumps and broke her leg. She never jumped again. She wasn't athletically inclined."

"After I had made 30 jumps, my mother talked to me about it. Her theory was that if she didn't say anything to me I would get it out of my system. After 30 jumps I saw my first fatality. Mother was very upset and wanted me to immediately stop jumping. But after someone outside the family told her she should put more pressure on me to stop, she said she would rather ... have me the way I am."

What does Miss Carroll look forward to for herself?  
"Well, of course, everyone here in training at Raeford for the nationals has got one thing on his mind. To say you're not trying to be on the U.S. team would not be being completely honest. Because everyone here has his eye on the U.S. team or we wouldn't be here. And of course from there you go to the world meet. I suppose to try to be the very best in anything you do...that's what I always try to do in everything."

"This (the Raeford Airport) is the best training drop zone, probably in the United States, perhaps in the world. Gene Paul Thacker (Raeford Airport manager and former member of the Army's Golden Knight Parachute team) is the one who has given us this opportunity. This drop zone is becoming more and more well known. If I had come here when I first started jumping it would have been easier to make the team, because it wasn't as hard five years ago. I did relative work (team free fall) for the first three years. I have only jumped style and accuracy for two years. You could accomplish what I have in two to two and a half years." She said with a quick smile. But only if you're willing to jump out of a plane.



**THURSDAY, MAY 23, 1974**  
**THOUGHT FOR THE DAY**  
Has our effort to know God been as intense as our efforts to achieve other goals?  
---copyright--- THE UPPER ROOM  
---Mary E. Knight,  
Amherst, Massachusetts

## College News



Corine Cook

Corine Cook, daughter of Mrs. Roberta Smith, 521 Grant Ave., received a B.S. degree in nursing from A&T State University at Greensboro. Miss Cook graduated CUM LAUDE placing 116 in a class of about 850. The 1970 Hoke High School graduate is employed at Cape Fear Valley Hospital in Fayetteville.

Mrs. Linda Sue Baker Huff received an A.B. in music at Methodist College's 11th commencement exercises May 12. Commencement speaker was Dr. Arnold K. King of Chapel Hill, special assistant to the president of the Consolidated Universities of North Carolina. Speaking at the 11 a.m. Baccalaureate Service was Dr. Lorenzo P. Plyler, associate professor of religion at Methodist College.

Daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Charles David Baker of Route 2, Mrs. Huff and her husband live at 607 Donaldson Ave. A 1970 graduate of Hoke County High School, Mrs. Huff attended Appalachian State University in Boone and completed her student teaching this spring in music in Hoke County.

Wayne B. Wooten of Raeford, a senior medical student at the Bowman Gray School of Medicine, has been awarded an internship appointment for 1974-75 at North Carolina Baptist Hospital in Winston-Salem. Wooten is the son of Mrs. Eleanor Wooten, 711 Fulton Street, and the late Hubert Wooten. He holds an A.B. degree from the University of North Carolina at Chapel Hill.

He is one of 73 students who will receive the M.D. degree from Bowman Gray during commencement exercises Monday on the Wake Forest University campus. The commencement speaker will be Dr. Alvin M. Weinburg, director of the Office of Energy Research and Development.

The traditional Dedication Service honoring graduating nursing students at Sandhills Community College will be Friday in the Village Chapel in Pinehurst. The 2:30 p.m. ceremony will be followed by a reception for graduates and their families hosted by members of Moore Memorial Hospital Auxiliary and St. Joseph's Hospital Guild.

Robert Ewing, civic leader who has long been associated with Moore Memorial Hospital and Sandhills Community College, will be the speaker and will be introduced by Dr. Raymond A. Stone, college president.

A feature of the program will be the presentation of awards to outstanding students. The annual awards day at Sandhills Community College gave recognition to students who have excelled in scholarship, extra curricular activities and athletics during the 1973-74 school year.

Fred Smith, Raeford, was the recipient of the Covington Award of \$100 for achievement in the department of business education. The award was established by Colonel William Covington, Whispering Pines, the first business manager of Sandhills College. Nine cheerleaders including Kim Thacker of Raeford were recognized at the ceremonies.

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**Is This Any Way To Run A Medicine Cabinet?**  
Here's a Spring-time suggestion that makes a great deal of sense to us - clean out "ye of medicine cabinet!" But don't go to any special trouble. Just do the job in the course of your regular Spring-cleaning chores.  
Like people, medicines grow old and cranky over time. Some sour. They're doing you absolutely no good supporting your local spider's system of cobwebs, and may even do you or someone else harm if inadvertently taken.  
We bet that if you make a check of your medicine storage, you'll find a literal "jungle" of half-taken drugs, unclear or dirty labels on bottles, and bottles whose labels are missing altogether!  
Now, we ask - Is this any way to run a medicine cabinet? You bet not! ADV.

Judy McDougald, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. H.A. McDougald, was named to the dean's list for spring semester at University of North Carolina - Wilmington.

Ronald Jan Cheron received a business administration degree from Pembroke State University during ceremonies graduating 555 students.

Wanda Gayle Grant, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Amos M. Grant, Rt. 2, and a primary education major at Appalachian State University, completed student teaching internship as a junior and is at home visiting her family for a week. She will go to Gardner Webb May 28 for one-week orientation in Baptist Youth work. Her summer work will be at Selma Baptist Church, Selma.

## Tourney On

By Joe Augustoni

Today's summer softball league games begins at 6:30 p.m. and is the second and final night of a single elimination tournament.

In May 13 league play, House of Raeford beat Carolina Turf 12 to 5 and Lumbee Marval beat City Cleaners 12 to 1. May 14 games were postponed until the next day when Raeford Oil beat Hoke Concrete 10 to 5 in the first game. In the second game, the House of Raeford ended the first half of the season against league-leaders Raeford Plumbing & Heating. Strong hitting from the league leaders handed House of Raeford a 22 to 2 defeat.

In the nightcap, Virgil's Drive Inn defeated Raeford Fire Department 12 to 1. May 16, Carolina Turf edged out Virgil's Drive-Inn 11 to 10, City Cleaners defeated Raeford Oil 8 to 7 and Raeford Plumbing & Heating edged a fired up Raeford Fire Department team 13 to 10.

The women and youth leagues begin soon providing plenty of action in the weeks ahead.

**Top Batters**  
Larry Upchurch, Raeford Oil - 739  
Tim Locklear, Raeford Plumbing & Heating - 636  
Wayne Mills, Raeford Plumbing & Heating - 625  
Artis Gay, Virgil's Drive-Inn - 586  
Larry Phillips, House of Raeford - 577  
Dennis Hawkes, Raeford Plumbing & Heating - 577  
George McFadygen, Raeford Oil - 571  
Joe Holt, Lumbee Marval - 571  
Ronnie Taylor, City Cleaners - 563  
Eddie Baker, Raeford Oil - 563  
Fletcher Oldham, City Cleaners - 563

Standings	W	L
Raeford Plumbing & Heating	6	1
Lumbee Marval	4	3
City Cleaners	4	3
Virgil's Drive-Inn	4	3
Raeford Oil	4	3
Carolina Turf	4	3
House of Raeford	4	4
Hoke Concrete	2	5
Raeford Fire Department	0	7

Box Scores	W	L	
House of Raeford	12	16	2
Carolina Turf	5	10	0
Lumbee Marval	12	16	1
City Cleaners	1	8	3

Raeford Oil	10	13	0
Hoke Concrete	5	9	1

Raeford Plumbing & Heating	22	28	1
House of Raeford	2	6	1

Virgil's Drive-Inn	12	12	1
Raeford Fire Department	1	7	4
Carolina Turf	11	16	2
Virgil's Drive-Inn	10	12	1

City Cleaners	8	12	2
Raeford Oil	7	11	2
Raeford Fire Department	10	15	5
Raeford Plumbing & Heating	13	11	3

## Open House

The Sandhills Mental Health Center open house is 4 to 8 p.m. today at the Clinic in Pinehurst, located adjacent to Moore Memorial Hospital.

This is the second year the Center has opened its doors to the general public in an effort to increase community understanding of mental health, and the ways the center attempts to resolve mental health problems in its operations.

Many staff members will be available to answer questions and to explain the various programs to citizens of the five counties served by the center; Moore, Richmond, Montgomery, Hoke and Anson.

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## SCS Activities

By FURMAN O. CLARK  
DISTRICT CONSERVATIONIST

This week we continue our series by looking into some of the functions of the Soil Conservation Service.

To determine the maximum safe use for an area, something must be known about the soil. A soil survey reveals what can be learned about a soil from field examination - how deep it is; its inherent productivity; whether it is wet or dry; sandy or sticky; how much slope it has; how badly eroded it is; if it contains salts; and other important information. The information gathered in the field is supplemented by laboratory studies.

In making a soil survey, a soil scientist bores and digs into the soil, studies it and tests it, describes in detail what he finds, and outlines soil boundaries on the aerial photograph used as a base map.

The information from a soil survey is interpreted for many uses. Many interpretations are for nonfarm uses, such as road construction, home building, laying pipelines, and suburban planning. But one of the most widely used interpretations - the land - capability classification - is for devising a farm or ranch conservation plan.

In this classification the individual soils are grouped according to the crops they are capable of producing and the risk of soil damage if they are mismanaged. There are eight major groups, or classes, and these are designated by Roman numerals I to VIII. Soils in classes I, II, and III are suitable for cultivation. Soils in class I require little conservation treatment, those in class II require some treatment, and those in class III require considerable treatment to protect against or overcome erosion and other hazards. The soils in these three classes make up 44 percent of the private rural land in the United States, not counting Alaska and Hawaii.

Soils in class IV are marginal for cultivation but suitable for other agricultural uses such as pasture and woods. They account for 12 percent of the land.

Soil in classes V to VIII are generally not suitable for cultivation and should be kept in permanent vegetation. These soils also make up 44 percent. A map showing the soils interpreted in this way is called a land - capability map.

When an area, usually a county, has been completely surveyed the information is published. At present soil surveys for about half the land in the United States have been published. At this time the field work on the Hoke County soil survey is being done. It is scheduled for completion in 1977. Soon after this the published soil information will be available to the general public.

From a national standpoint the soil survey is an inventory of the Nation's soils. It maps the soils, describes them in detail, and places them in a national system of classification. This national soil survey is done cooperatively by the Soil Conservation Service and, usually, the state agricultural experiment stations. (to be continued)

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Tim Hawkes

## Hawkes Earns All-District Spot

Tim Hawkes, right fielder for Pembroke State's NAIA District 29 championship baseball team, was named to the all district team Saturday after the Pembroke Braves took tournament honors by defeating Methodist College 5 to 0.

Methodist was the only other unbeaten team in the double elimination NAIA District 29 tourney. The district includes 15 schools in Virginia and North Carolina. PSU has been District champions five times in the last six years. Hawkes, leads his team in hitting with a .314 average. He has one more year of eligibility. He is the son of Mr. and Mrs. Keith Hawkes, Rt. 2.

He is married to the former Patsy Bray. The PSU team is currently competing in the Area Seven Tournament in Greenville, W. Va.



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