

Proclamation

OLDER AMERICANS WEEK

WHEREAS, while the County of Hoke is indebted to all of its citizens, we are especially indebted to those citizens over sixty years of age for their significant contributions to the development and progress of our County; and

WHEREAS, they continue to be a valuable resource of knowledge, skills, experiences and leadership; and

WHEREAS, as a progressive County, we must be forever conscious of its most valued resource - its people; yet constantly aware and appreciative of those citizens of the County over sixty whose contributions have and shall remain the foundation of solidarity and ensuing growth; and

WHEREAS, we urge the people of Hoke County to seek to expand opportunities for active participation of older adults through paid or voluntary endeavors that assure continued usefulness and nondiscriminatory involvement in helping to assess and meet both the growing needs of our older citizens and the needs of the County as a whole through all public and private organizations planning together to meet these needs effectively;

THEREFORE, I proclaim the week of May 25th, 1975

OLDER AMERICANS WEEK IN HOKE COUNTY

and commend this observance to our citizens.

Ralph W. Barnhart
Chairman, Hoke County Board
of Commissioners

Raeftord, North Carolina
May 8, 1975

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of failing to stop at scene of an accident and failing to stop for blue light and siren. Caesar drew a two year sentence for each offense. He was given credit for 109 days spent in jail awaiting trial.

Caesar was found not guilty of a charge of assault with a deadly weapon related to the incident. Seven other charges were dropped by the state. They were simple assault, speeding, unsafe speed, two counts of assault with a deadly weapon with intent to kill, firing into an occupied building, and no financial responsibility.

James Murphy, 20, of Rt. 1, Shannon, was found not guilty following a jury trial of a breaking and entering charge related to a March burglary at a residence near McNeill's Crossroads.

A jury found Harry Scurlock, 30, formerly of Raeftord Hotel, guilty of uttering a forged check and Scurlock drew a two to four year prison term. The state dropped the first count of forgery, and also dropped a worthless check charge Scurlock was appealing from a District Court conviction. A third charge of resisting an officer was not prosecuted. Scurlock was credited with 66 days spent in jail toward his sentence.

Bobbie Jean Locklear, 28, and Freddie Naylor, 28, pleaded guilty to misdemeanor larceny and each drew an 18 month sentence suspended for five years and was put on probation five years.

Both defendants were ordered to make \$25 restitution to the A&P store in Raeftord and directed to stay out of the A&P indefinitely.

Vernon Lamont Ferguson, 20, pleaded guilty to felonious breaking and entering involving a Saunders Street residence and Ferguson received a two to three year sentence suspended for five years. He was put on probation five years, ordered to make \$250 restitution, and the court ordered he remain jailed until the restitution is paid.

Reta Faye Chavis, aged listed as 26, pleaded guilty to uttering a forged check and was sentenced to a one year term as a committed youth offender suspended for three years, put on probation three years, and ordered to make \$47.79 restitution to Raeftord Department Store.

James W. Bratcher, 33, pleaded guilty to driving under the influence (second offense) and a second count of driving while license revoked. Bratcher drew a six month term on the first count and a two year term on the second count.

Allen Peavy, 30, a Robeson County resident, scheduled to be tried for breaking and entering and two counts of assault by pointing a gun, was ordered returned to Robeson County where he is charged with murder. Bond was set at \$3,000.

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newspapers. This, of course, is an unavoidable situation due to daily newspapers, television and radio news.

"Therefore, in judging the entries, I looked for hard news content with a good feature or second day approach. In general, I thought the bulk of the entries were readable and had definite value.

"My selection was based on what I feel was good writing and reporting, timely subjects and value to a community."

First place went to Nita Hilliard of the Watauga Democrat. Clara Cartrette of The News Reporter in Whiteville won second and Terry Hammond Smith of The Cary News won third.

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takes a calm view.

"Some people get very defensive about welfare cheating," he said. "But I don't. I figure that we're dealing with some sharp minds and if they want to cheat, we're not going to catch everyone of them. After all, some people make a career of living illegally."

Awards To Be Given In History

Academic awards for excellence in social studies will be given this year for the first time at Hoke High.

Outstanding students will be chosen through awards tests in the fields of U.S. History, U.S. Government and world cultures.

Also, the top student in the fields of minority history and current events will be honored, however, no test will be given.

Competing for the award in U.S. History are: Cynthia Cook, Margaret Postel, Linda Currie, Edward Dew, Barbara McCall, Hope Williams, Idell McNeill, William Foxworth, Michael Fulk, Teresa Orem, Jan Dial, Jim Bowles, Rudolph Maynor, Debra Hall, Catherine Brown, Kay Lentz, Dennis Heath, Johnny Hendren, Ray Jones, Arnita Hurst, Cissy Moses, Joyce McKenzie, Dwan Upchurch, Martha Ann Wood, and Charlotta King.

Competing in the field of U.S. Government are: Shelia McRae, Deborah Wrench, Kurt Earnest, Elaine Tyler, Sharon Adams, Larry Hubbard, Michael Boyles, Callie Graham, Michael McBryde, Rick Johnson, Mary Willcox, Derrik McDougal, Elmer Ricks, Barbara Faircloth, Eslura Osling and Debra McLeod.

Competing for the award in world cultures are: Mike McNeill, Barbara Jones, Paula Johnson, Ronald Kirkley, Helena Rogers, Agnes Wilkes, Mike Peckham, Debra Mays, Frank Kicklighter and Sandy Crawley.

Students trying for top honors in minority studies are Gwendolyn McIntyre, Brenda Pratt, Ruby Goodman and Pam Dockery.

Federal Funds Available To Fight Fire

Rural volunteer fire departments in North Carolina will be able to receive some federal financial help, thanks to the U.S. Congress, a pilot project as part of the Rural Development Act of 1972.

Under the provisions of the program, only volunteer fire departments that serve rural areas or communities of less than 10,000 populations are eligible to receive the funds. The money can be used to organize, equip, and train local volunteer fire departments, but the departments must be able to provide at least 50% of the costs.

In North Carolina, emphasis will be on obtaining suppression equipment, such as communications (radio), slip-on pumps, backpack pumps or other types of fire suppression equipment. Equal consideration will be given to the need for both structural and grass or brush type equipment.

The program is being handled in North Carolina by the Division of Forest Resources, Department of Natural and Economic Resources.

Crumpler Completes Eye Removal Class

G. Franklin Crumpler of Raeftord was one of about 28 trainees who completed a course in eye enucleation and sterile technique at the Bowman Gray School of Medicine in Winston-Salem.

Graduates of the course will be able to perform the removal of eyes from deceased persons during the critical four hour period following death, the North Carolina Eye and Human Tissue Bank said.

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