## Flora Macdonald Honor Rolls Announced

The final 1981-82 grading period for students in grades 5-12 ended on May 27 at Flora Macdonald Academy in Red Springs.

The academy recognizes ex-emplary academic achievement by publishing three honor rolls. They are the Headmaster's Honor Roll, which requires an over-all average of 95-100; the FMA Honor Roll, an average of 90-94; and a Special Honor Roll of students who raised their over-all average at least five

points during the grading period.

Following are listed the honor roll students for the final grading

HEADMASTER'S

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5th -- Victor Ha, Clifton Watson, Lisa Woolfolk.
6th -- Chris Dailey, Bill
McGougan, Sherry McLean, John
McManus, Lisabeth Murray.
7th -- Kyle Chavis, Maria Collins, Martha McLean, Jana Watts.
8th -- Suzy Brooks, Beth
McNeill, Tonya Pate, Wendy
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10th -- Sherry Adams, Susan
McKay, Anne McLean.

12th -- Todd Buie, Brigitte
Knight, Deborah McGugan, Barry Owings. SPECIAL

6th -- Mark McLaughlin, Dale

McGinnis. 7th -- Beth Wilkes, Brian Stewart.

8th -- Sheila Dixit, Christa Evans, Joy Powers, Tammy Tally, Angie Taylor, Alex Watson. 12th -- Dixie Jackson. FMA HONOR ROLL

5th -- Young Byun, Jennifer

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Background Scripture: Luke 5:27-32; 15:1-7:19:1-10. Devotional Reading: Luke 5:27-32

The story of Zacchaeus occupies only 10 verses in Luke 19, but the Evangelist tells us a great deal about him.

He was a tax collector, Luke tells us -- actually, a "chief tax col-lector," a commissioner of taxes, one in authority over all the tax

collectors of that region. In other words, we might say that Zacchaeuus was a "big man" in Jericho.

But no one really regarded Zacchaeus as a "big man." In everyone's eyes he was just the opposite: a man small in stature and held in aven lower servers. and held in even lower esteem because of his position as com-missioner of taxes. Tax collectors have never been popular anywhere, but in Jesus' day they were despised because they collected taxes for the hated Roman oppressors. A tax collector was a collaborator with the enemy; a chief tax collector was a chief collaborator, who made his living off the oppression of his countrymen - often dishonesty at

To compound public disdain for Zaechaeus was the strange irony of his name, which in Hebrew means "the pure" or "the righteous one." In the eyes of the people of Jericho. he was the epitome of all that was impure and unrighteous. His name, therefore, was an affront to every upright citizen of the city.

Yet, whatever else Zacchaeus may have been, he was a man looking for something and when Jesus came to Jerieho, he found it. Self-conscious of his stature. Zac-chaeus wanted to be a big man, and so he was willing to climb a tree in order to see this Jesus of whom he had heard so much. (Is there not a certain irony in Luke's statement that Zacchaeus wanted to see Jesus, "but could not, on account of the crowd"?)

How Jesus knew Zacchaeus, we will never know, but it appears that he knew enough about him -- and what people thought of him -- so that his challenge, "...make haste and come down," had a definite purpose behind it. What Jesus saw. when he looked up, was not the little man whom everyone despised, but the Zacchaeus whom God had created to fulfill his name. Jesus saw the Zacchaeus that could become a truly "pure" and "righteous" man.

Human nature has not changed much, has it? Instead of focussing on the wonderful thing that Jesus might be able to accomplish with Zacchaeus, the crowd murmurmed indignantly: "He has gone in to be the guest of a man who is a sinner." They really shouldn't have been surprised, for Jesus frequently as-

sociated with the "wrong" people. The day when Jesus passed through Jericho, because he saw that Zacchaeus had the capacity to live up to his name, the despised. little tax commissioner became a tall man. But the crowds displayed a littleness that we still have not outgrown even today.

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Collins, Sheila Everitte, Marcus Thompson, Jeff Townsend, Michelle Williams.

6th -- Gary Graves, Dale McGin-nis, Beth Shook, Catherine Lee. 7th -- Kelly Burns, Virginia Hayes, Dana Helms, Leigh Jackson, Leslie McKethan, Marie McLean, Jason Rome, Trent Savidge, Beth Wilkes, Shawn

Wood, Lynn Hodge, Beth McLeod, Holli Poole, 8th -- James Askew, Christa Evans, Ingrid Fritz, Kim McNeill, Loy Boyer D. L. Joy Powers, Paula Pridgen, Vicki Russell, Amanda Tolar, Sheila

9th -- Lori Hayes, Kathy Henderson, Sheila Jackson, Carol Thompson.

10th -- Cindy Gibson, Annie Hughes, Lisa Inman, Laura McLeod.

McCormick, Alison Steed.

11th -- Dorcas Hostetler, Kelly Powers, Gene Melvin, Kelly Odom, Ruth Bodenheimer, Lynn Wright, Mary Lewis. 12th -- Lisa Burchette, Jeanne Harding, Millicent Locklear, Teri McCormick, Alicon Steed

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