

Sharon McNeill Honored At State 4-H Congress

One of the highest honors in 4-H work was bestowed Monday night on a Hoke County youth.

Sharon McNeill, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Floyd McNeill of Raeford, was "tapped" into the Stater 4-H Honor Club in a colorful candlelight ceremony marking one of the highlights of North Carolina 4-H Congress in Raleigh.

Membership in the some 1,400 member organization is a reward for outstanding service to 4-H work.

The 4-H'ers are judged on their leadership abilities, moral standards, 4-H activities and project achievement. Selection is made after careful study by the Honor Club members.

The tapping is a distinction that is reserved for less than one-half of

1 percent of the state's 4-H members.

Sharon has been a member of 4-H for 8 years.

During this time she has served as District 4-H Reporter, County Council president and reporter, and local club president, vice president, secretary-treasurer and reporter.

She was selected as a delegate to National 4-H Conference in Washington, D.C., a delegate to Citizenship Washington Focus and represented North Carolina in the Poultry Barbeque competition at the National Poultry and Egg Conference in Louisville, Kentucky.

Sharon has also participated in a number of community service activities and completed numerous projects.

Sandhills Is Offering Reverse History Class

The Division of Continuing Education at Sandhills Community College will offer area students of American history a unique way to learn this fall.

Thomas B. Braine, in cooperation with Columbia Military Academy, has developed a course which teaches history from the present to the past. That's history in reverse.

The course will provide an intensive study of American history beginning with current events and working back toward the Teddy

Roosevelt years and the Spanish-American War.

The course will also inquire into other histories, eras, and lands, giving the student exposure to other historical threads -- social, economic, political, artistic, and religious.

This class will begin September 12 and end December 12. It will meet on Monday between 7 and 10 p.m. Preregistration is advised.

Students may preregister on August 30 between 2 and 8 p.m. in room 134 of the Kennedy Building on campus.



Calling it a day

After hours of practice and play, swinging bats, catching balls, and running around bases, these T-ball players and coaches are ready to call it a day as they file off field and head home for a cool drink and a good meal.

Real Estate Firm Changes Name Mon.

Edens & Avant, Inc., who manages Raeford-Hoke Village, is officially the new name for one of the Southeast's leading commercial real estate development companies, formerly Edens & McTeer, Inc. The change is effective on July 18.

Based in Columbia, Edens & Avant manages six million square feet in shopping centers, office buildings and apartments in North Carolina, South Carolina and Georgia.

That is equivalent to almost three times as many square feet as the total square footage of rental space in the Empire State Building.

The company had a record year of more than \$160 million in total business in 1982 and manages properties valued at \$192 million. It specializes in the areas of brokerage, development, property management and leasing.

Joe Edens, Jr. continues as chairman of the company. Among his development projects are 55 shopping centers, several suburban office buildings and numerous multiple family housing developments.

A native of Columbia, Edens attended The Citadel. He serves as chairman of the board of Republic National Bank which has its main office in Columbia.

Dan Avant will continue as president of Edens & Avant. He has been in real estate sales and management since 1967.

Avant is a graduate of Wofford College and past chairman of the Committee of 100 of The Greater Columbia Chamber of Commerce.

"While the name of the company has changed, the services, the professional staff and the address remain the same," Avant said.



Swine record winner

Gail Spangler of the Hoke County Livestock Association and Julian Johnson of the Johnson Company are congratulating Arthur Dial (right) and presenting him with a check for the pig that they and Farm Chemicals, Inc. purchased from him during the Fayetteville Area Fat Stock Show. Arthur, a Hoke County 4-H'er, placed first in the 4-H Swine Records Class at the show on April 14.



William Shook



Robert Wright Jr.

Hoke Students Attend Conservation Workshop

The Hoke Soil and Water Conservation District sponsored two students to attend the Resource Conservation Workshop in Raleigh on June 19-24.

They were Robert Wright, Jr., son of Mr. and Mrs. Robert Wright of Raeford and William Shook, son of Mr. and Mrs. George Shook of Shannon.

Each year students are sent to this workshop where such subjects as: Soil and Water Conservation, Forest Management, and Wildlife and Fisheries Management are covered.

Students are also taken on field trips to expose them to important areas of resource management.

This workshop is sponsored each year by: The North Carolina Association of Soil and Water Conservation Districts, North

Carolina Chapter of the Soil Conservation Society of America, North Carolina Soil and Water Conservation Commission, Soil Science Department of North Carolina State and Division of Continuing Education of North Carolina State University.

Riley Wins Raffle

David Riley was the winner of the recent raffle sponsored by Hillcrest Junior 4-H Club.

Prizes were provided by area merchants.

Proceeds raised during the event will assist several 4-Hers in attending 4-H sponsored events this summer.



Completes course

After extensive training in Travel Tourism, Gina A. McBryde of Fayetteville, formerly of Raeford, is a recent graduate of Southeastern Academy. To complete the program of study, Gina met requirements in the areas of career and personal development in addition to specialized occupational training. She is now qualified for an entry-level position in all areas of the Airline, Travel or Tourism Industry.

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