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Raeford, N.C.



PO 3rd Class Clifford McNeill IV with his parents, Mac and Surrie McNeill.

McNeill a graduate of nuclear power training

J. McNeill IV, US Navy was among edge necessary to understand the 334 graduates from Naval Nuclear theory and operation of naval Power Training Command in nuclear propulsion plants. Charleston, South Carolina on May 24.

Command is the starting point for tals, and other specialized suball prospective Naval nuclear pro- jects. pulsion plant operators. More than 3,000 enlisted and 400 officer per- ates continue training at one of the sonnel who met the program's tough selection standards begin training Program's prototype plants or each year. Enlisted personnel enter moored training ships, where they Nuclear Field "A" School follow- will qualify prior to assignment to ing the completion of recruit train- the fleet. ing.

the students progress into Nuclear 2000 graduate of Hoke County High Power School which, in a classroom School.

Habitat relies on

donated money, labor

Petty Officer 3rd Class Clifford setting, provides the basic knowl-

The Nuclear Power School introduces thermodynamics, reactor Naval Nuclear Power Training principles, radiological fundamen-

> Nuclear Power School gradu-Naval Nuclear Propulsion

McNeill is the son of Mac and After Nuclear Field "A" School Surrie McNeill of Raeford. He is a

Military Briefs — Local charities receive checks from 'Racehorsemania'

BY PAT ALLEN WILSON Editor

Last week Carolina Horse Park Foundation handed out \$8,100 in checks to charities selected by local artists to receive proceeds from the sales of wooden painted ponies displayed to advertise the Stoneybrook Steeplechase this past April.

Artists and students volunteered their time to paint 48 of the $4' \ge 1/2'$ racehorse cutouts that were shown around Moore and Hoke counties to advertise the 51st running of the steeplechase at the equine park. Dubbed Racehorsemania, the creatively decorated horses were displayed at the steeplechase then auctioned off the day of the races.

Racehorsemania was also featured in the 50th running of the Steeplechase at the Five Points horse park. The first auction featured more than 30 decorated horses and raised \$4,000. Said Roger Secrist, president of the Carolina Horse Park Foundation, "Racehorsemania has the potential to make major differences in charity organizations." He said such an event at a Memphis track recently raised \$1.5 million for designated charities.

Hoke high and middle school students were among those artists who decorated the ponies and both benefited from the auction. The Haven, a no-kill animal shelter, also benefited from the sales of several of the creatively decorated horses.

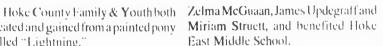
Many of the painted horses reflected a red white and blue patriotic theme & Neck," "See Jack Run," "Wild and the World Trade Towers disaster was remembered on some. There was a pony covered with colorful stained glass and one covered with pennies. Some horses had star themes. "Rockin' Horse" had Elvis Presley for a rider, and there was a horse covered with famous horses of the silver screen: Gene Autry's "Champion" and Roy project. Rogers' "Trigger."

called "Lightning.

The Haven benefited from "Neck Thing," and "Feng-Shui — All the Way.

"Jump into Spring" and "Cabin Branch" benefited the Carolina Horse Park Foundation, and "Revelation," painted by Rockfish's Dr. Tony Santangelo, benefited the Raeford Kiwanis Club's Special Olympics

"Time Machine" was painted by



Artists and recipients of Racehorsemania proceeds stand on the tower steps at Carolina Horse Park at Five

Germaine Patterson, Brian Bullard and Teresa Marion painted "Cool County High School.

Under the sponsorship of Raeford's Jean Hodges of Hodges Associates, Hizabeth Haycraft created "My Fair Filly' for the FTCC Advertising Design School. The "Filly," designed after



30 years each



created and gained from a painted pony

Winnings" for the benefit of Hoke Hiza Doolittle, was bought by Raeford Mayor Bob Gentry.

Points.

Raeford and Hoke County, as well as the military community, who have been helping in our collection drive for aluminum cans.

STAFF REPORT

Special to The News-Journal

The collection trailer is situated at Central Avenue and NC 20 intersection – next to the open-air market.

Habitat appreciates everyone's effort to help fill the trailer, as they are still very much in need of funds to begin building the third home for the R/HHFH.

Of course any other cash donations are equally welcome and needed. They can be made out to R/HHFH and sent

on community support through dona tions and labor. The cash flow will improve once habitat for Humanity will have built more homes since all Habitat homeowners do pay for their homes in monthly installments for 30 years

Those payments are, however, kept low due to no interest charges involved and due to the low cost of the homes because of the donated moneys and labor.

Anyone who wishes more information may contact Raeford/Hoke Habitat for Humanity at 875-8866.

The decorated ponies were displayed at the Stoneybrook Steeplechase.

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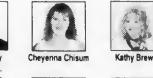
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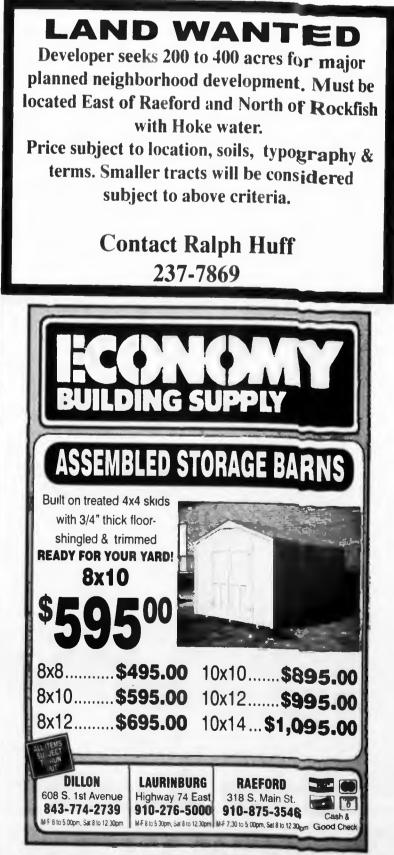
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Reggie Pickler

These employees recently marked 30 years each of service with the Burlington Raeford plant. They are, from left, front row, John McKoy (top prep.), Patricia Campbell (quality control), Lessie M. Ross (color control); back row, James McKoy (shop), Clifton Sampson (shop), and Robert Stephens (top prep)



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