

#### Former JSTC Visiting Artist Presents Exhibition

David Curtis Smith, a former visiting artist at James Sprunt Technical College, returned to the area with an exhibition at the Herman Park Art Center in Goldsboro. The exhibition, entitled "Four Years On," marks the close of Smith's work in the North Carolina Visiting

Artist program and residencies at technical colleges in Kenansville and Sanford. "Four Years On" is an exhibition of work Smith completed as a visiting artist. Smith is pictured above as he prepares to hand the exhibition in the Art Center Gallery in Goldsboro.

## **Artist Holds Exhibition**

Two years after ending his residency at James Sprunt Technical College visiting artist, reflections of Duplin County can be found in the exhibition of David Smith's paintings which opened last week in Goldsboro.

May 11th marked the opening of an exhibition of Smith's work at Herman Park Arts Center on Ash Street in Goldsboro. The show, Smith pointed out, is the exhibition which hung in Sanford earlier this month concluding his residency as visiting artist at Central Carolina Technical College. The exhibition entitled "Four Years On" is a show of paintings Smith has completed during his visiting artist residency at JSTC in Kenansville and Central Carolina in Sanford.

"Being a visiting artist has been good for me," Smith said. "An artist is a communicator whether he is using a brush or speaking and the past four years have been good experience, allowing me to build my verbal communication skills." As visiting artist at JSTC, Smith spent much time in the public schools working with students. The second half of his visiting artist residency was spent in Sanford working mainly with civic groups and guest lecturing in Central Carolina humanities classes

"College age is the group I feel I have the most to offer; that was the

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time in my life when I decided to become an artist," Smith said. "Teaching art has been a long-time goal of mine and the visiting artist program has helped me prepare for that profession." Smith began his career 10 years ago and has exhibited in noted museums and galleries in the East and Midwest. He is a graduate of East Carolina University and obtained a master of fine arts degree from the University of North Carolina at Greensboro.

The exhibition currently in Goldsboro reflects Smith's years as a visiting artist and four of the new works are of an old and practically torn-down house in Warsaw. While one piece is a color study, Smith said "Hidden Hearth," "Into the Foyer," and "Emerald Ascent" are three new major works done from photographs of the abandoned house in Warsaw.

"Emeralds Ascent" combines naturalism with imaginative use of color. Smith had been trying to perfect the technique and finally mastered it after a three-week fellowship studying with noted artist Richard Anuszkiewics at the Atlantic Center for the Arts in New Smyrna Beach, Fla. last summer.

"An artist should never stop learning," Smith said. "The study fellowship encouraged me to experi-ment with colors I had never used before and apply the colors in ways I

had never used them. 'Emerald Ascent' is a result of ideas in the use of color I learned from Anuszkiewics.

'The incentive for my art lies in my search for an elusive, fleeting visual experience. My objective essentially is to create a heightened sense of reality; to bring a freshness or clarity to that which might be overlooked or unseen. My intent is to create a dramatic confrontation between the viewer and the subjects of my paints," he said.

Smith is a native of Rockingham. The "Four Years On" exhibition will be displayed until June 11 at the Art Center Gallery of the Herman Park Arts Center in Goldsboro.

**Area Students Graduate** At Campell University

Campbell University in Buies Creek graduated 576 students on May 7. Area students who received degrees included the following: Gina Lynn Lanier of Beulaville, B.A. (Cum Laude); Judy Lewis Blanton of Calypso, B.S; Teresa Lynn Garris of Kenansville, B.S. (Cum Laude); David Miller of Kenansville, B.S.S.; Stephen Monroe Williamson Jr., of Kenansville, B.B.A.; Virginia Ann Powell of Wallace, B.B.A.; Allen Marshall Brown of Warsaw, B.B.A.; and Marshall Herman Phillips of Warsaw, B.B.A.; and Phyllis P. Durham, also of Warsaw. B.S.

David Edward Oliver, B.S. (Cum Laude) and Cindy Faye Lindsay, B.B.A. (Summa Cum Laude), both of Kinston.

### Local Students Among **NCSU** Graduates

North Carolina State University conferred more than 3,800 degrees May 12 during its 95th commen-

cement, setting a new annual record for number of degrees awarded. Chancellor Bruce R. Poulton awarded some 2,800 baccalaureate, 720 master's, 260 doctoral and 20 professional degrees before a crowd of more than 10,000 parents and friends attending the early morning ceremonies in Reynolds Coliseum.

The following are the candidates from Duplin County, their fields of study, parents and addresses:

Wallace - Masters - Jennings P. Oliver, adult and community college education, Mrs. D.L. Penney. Bachelors - Almon H. Carter III, en gineering operations, Mr. and Mrs. A.H. Carter Jr.; Billy W. Cavenaugh, business management, Mr. and Mrs. B.H. Cavenaugh, Rt. 3; Keith P. Rogers, mechanical en-gineering, Mr. and Mrs. E.L. Rogers, Eureka Drive; John M. Salmon, business managem, ent, Mr. and Mrs. R.J. Salmon, Route 1; Cynthia M. Wellons, computer science, Mr. and Mrs. J.C. Wellons, Oak St.; Franklin O. Williams, agronomy, Mr. and Mrs. S.F. Williams, Rt. 1

Rose Hill - Bachelors - Styron N. Powers, chemical engineering, Mr. and Mrs. W.J. Powers, Route 1; Joann Rivenbark, electrical engineering, Mr. and Mrs. M. Rivenbark Sr., Route 2; Kimberly K. Salmon, accounting, Mr. and Mrs. J.T. Kelly; William S. Wells III, computer science, Mr. and Mrs. W.S. Wells

Warsaw - Masters - Ronald S. Monk, crop sciences, Mr. and Mrs. J.F. Monk, S. Pine; Richard A. Fry. vocational industrial education, Mr. and Mrs. A.E. Fry, 307 Wards Bridge Rd. Bachelors - Robert F. Mathews, industrial arts education, Mrs. M.R. Mathews; Robert G. Swain, biological and agricultural

#### Resolutions Adopted By Commissioners

According to Ralph .Cottle, the chairman of the Duplin County Board of Commissioners, Allen D. Nethercutt, signed resolutions making the week of May 7-11 Duplin. County School Week in Duplin County school May 10th Duplin County, and May 10th Duplin County School Day in the schools; the week of May 13-19 as Senior Center Week, and the week of May 6-12 as National Volunteer Week in North Carolina.

engineering science program, Mr. and Mrs. R.W. Swain, Rt. 2 Kenansville - Bachelors - Joe D.

Brinson, business management, Mr. and Mrs. D.N. Brinson; Andrea H. Fulcher, political science, Mr. and Mrs. T.O. Fulcher. Pink Hill - Bachelors - Ronald E.

Johnson Jr., Animal science, Mr. and Mrs. R.E. Johnson, Route 2; Michael G. Smith, accounting, Mr. and Mrs. G.M. Smith, Route 2.

Others - Masters - William C. Wyatt, Jr., wood and paper science, Mr. and Mrs. W.C. Wyatt, Route 1, Millers Creek. Bachelors - Douglas H. Costin, forestry, Mr. and Mrs. J.D. Smith, Route 1, Magnolia; Randy L. Cruse, agricultural education, Mr. and Mrs. W.L. Cruse, Rt. 1, Albertson; Nicholas D. Lee, textile managment, Mr. and Mrs. J.N. Lee, Rt. 1, Mount Olive; Valorie C. McCoy, poultry science, Mrs. F.W.





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Capps, Hamlet; Mardecia G. Stall-

ings, computer science, Mr. and Mrs. J.O. Stallings, Route 1, Chin-quapin; Jerri B. Thigpen, biological sciences and zoology, Mr. and Mrs. J.M. Thigpen, Beulaville.

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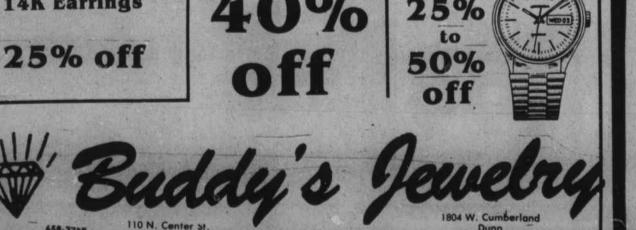
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#### **Mud Sling**

The last fund-raising event of the Wallace-Rose Hill Athletic Boosters will be a "4x4 Mud Sling." It will be held at the Joe Rivenbark Farm on Hwy. 41, 2 miles east of Wallace. The event will be held May 19 with the gates open at 1 p.m. for the race at 6 p.m. There will be a \$3,000 purse. Admission is \$5 for adults and \$3 for children under 12, with preschoolers admitted free. Concessions are available.

It is hoped this will become an annual event to raise funds for the athletic program, said Elizabeth P. Grimmer, board member of the Boosters.

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