

PEOPLE IN THE NEWS

Batten Re-elected President Of NRTC

David J. Batten, general manager of Brunswick Electric Membership Corp., was re-elected president of the National Rural Telecommunications Cooperative (NRTC) earlier this month.



BATTEN

The fourth annual meeting of the NRTC was held as part of the National Rural Electric Cooperative Association (NRECA) meeting Feb. 3-5 in New Orleans.

The chairman of the Federal Communications Commission talked about cable competition during the NRTC meeting. A NASA program manager also talked about the future of satellite communications and its importance to rural utilities.

The need for universal television service in rural areas was the main topic of the NRECA meeting.

Makes Honor Roll

Terressa Lynn Gause of Thomasboro made the honor roll for the fall semester at North Carolina A&T State University in Greensboro.

Ms. Gause, a freshman at the university, is a 1990 graduate of West Brunswick High School in Shallotte. She is the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. James Amos Gause of Thomasboro.

Band Member Recalled

The West Brunswick High School Band this week honored James and Jackie Crabtree by selecting their late daughter as its band person of the week.

Crystal, 14, died Dec. 24 from injuries sustained in a moped accident near her home.

As a freshman she played the clarinet at all of the band's fall and Christmas season performances.

"She is greatly missed by all of the band, her classmates and her family," a band news release indicated.

Bass Selected

G. Wilson Bass of Holden Beach has been selected to appear in the 1991 *Who's Who Among Students in American Universities and Colleges*. The West Brunswick High School graduate is the son of Guilford and Janet Bass of Holden Beach.



BASS

Students are selected on the basis of academic achievement, service to the community, leadership in extracurricular activities and potential for continued success.

Bass, a senior majoring in Computer Information Systems (CIS) at Campbell University, is a dean's list student. He is a member of Omicron Delta Kappa and Epsilon Pi Eta honor societies. He is vice president of the senior class and the CIS club, is active in the student government association and serves as secretary-treasurer of his dormitory.

He is a member of the Adam Smith Enterprise Club, Baptist Student Union, University Friends Organization and the Society for Advancement of Management.

Bass also has worked as a computer lab assistant and as a university photographer.

Articles Published

Four eighth-grade students at Shallotte Middle School recently had articles published in *Tar Heel Junior Historian*.

Receiving congratulations from Assistant Superintendent William Harrison on a recent visit to the school were Elizabeth Detrie, Jamie Dennis, John Scorzello and Katie Harris.

The magazine is published by the Tar Heel Historian Association in Raleigh.

Carroll Selected

Terry Carroll has been selected as Bolivia Elementary School's employee of the month for February. She teaches French to fourth- and fifth-graders, and enriches her program by celebrating French holidays and customs. Her students get to taste authentic French foods, produce soap carvings and participate in other creative arts.



CARROLL

Employed by the Brunswick County Schools for seven years, Mrs. Carroll has a bachelor of science degree in French and has experience in computer science and 12 years of piano training. She serves on the school's curriculum fair committee and has worked on the Southern Association of Colleges and Schools' self-study report for foreign languages.

A native of Fayetteville, Mrs. Carroll lives in Wilmington with her husband, Clyde.

Receives Certificate

Gracie Danford of Reidsville, formerly of Shallotte, recently received a certificate of outstanding achievement from the Guilford County Department of Social Services, where she is employed as a nurse's aide I with the CAP program.



DANFORD

Ms. Danford graduated in July 1990 from Thomas Private School of Nursing in Raleigh with a 96 average. She is also employed part-time with the Rockingham County Council on Aging.

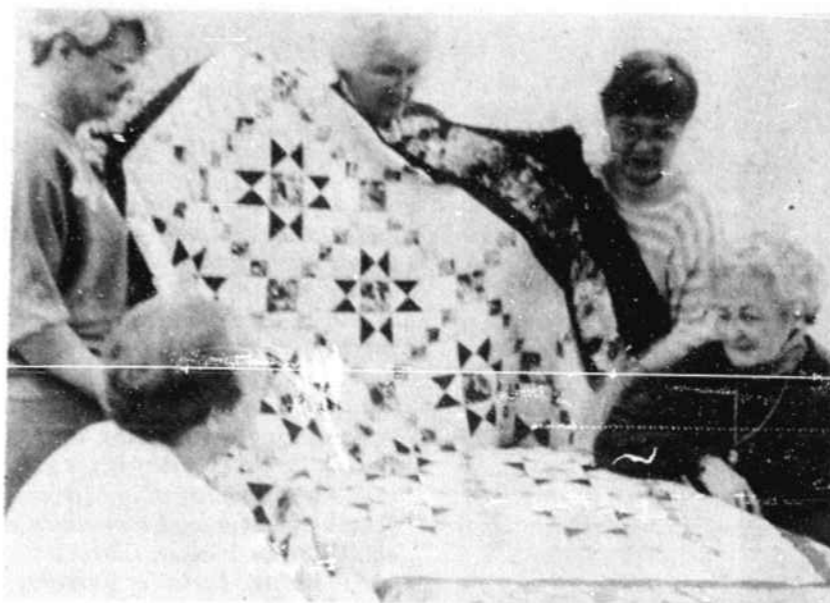


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SHOW COMMITTEE members (from left) Thelma Dunn, Shirley Huckabee, Isobel Beebe, Eleanor Hoff and Chairman Lena Mintz are admiring a quilt to be given away during Quilt Show '91 in April.

Quilters Should Register Intent To Enter Area Show

Quilters who plan to enter Quilt Show '91, the biennial quilters' showcase sponsored by the Brunswick County Extension Homemakers, have until March 22 to register their intent to enter.

Forms and other information related to registering intent to enter are available from Mary L. Russ, home economics agent, by calling 253-4425. Late entries will not be accepted, said Isobel Beebe, public relations chairman.

This year's show will be held Saturday and Sunday, April 6 and 7, at Shallotte Middle School. Show hours will be 10 a.m. to 5 p.m. Saturday and 1 p.m. to 5 p.m. Sunday. Admission will be \$1 each day.

In addition to a variety of hand- and machine-sewn quilts, the show

will include a merchants mall, craft items, quilting technique demonstrations.

On Sunday afternoon a full-size quilt made by Anna Day, a professional quilter from Boiling Spring Lakes, will be given away. The quilt is made in the Ohio Star pattern in shades of burgundy and teal on cream. Tickets are available from extension club members county-wide.

Also Extension Homemakers are supporting the Ronald McDonald House program by making items such as pajamas, hats and toys for children. Some of the items, as well as quilts made for patients, will be on display before they are taken to the Ronald McDonald houses in North Carolina.

Holden Refuses To Waive Fee

Heritage Harbor Property Owners Association must pay a \$20 permit fee to the Town of Holden Beach for a new sign planned for the entrance to the island subdivision.

Town commissioners rejected the property owners association's request to waive the fee at a special meeting last Wednesday, saying other subdivisions have paid permit fees for their signs in the past.

"If we've charged all the rest of them, I don't think we have any choice," Commissioner Bob Suck said.

Interim Town Manager Diane Clark said a representative of the Heritage Harbor group said he was told by the former town manager, Blake Proctor, that the permit fee would be waived.

But Building Inspector Dwight Carroll said at last week's meeting that the former manager never agreed to waive the \$20 fee.

Carroll said the town waived the \$35 fee for appearing before the town board of adjustment because that's what's been done in similar situations in the past.

The property owners association came before the board of adjustment last month to request a variance from town code. The variance would allow the new sign to be placed in the right of way on Scotch Bonnet Drive.

In other business, commissioners voted to pay \$9,050 to Southport architect John Thompson for design work relating to the renovation and expansion of the town hall complex.

Foundation Helps BCC Meet Needs

While busy working to raise another \$20,000 this year, the Brunswick Community College Foundation has been spending money in support of various projects at the college.

BCC President Michael Reaves said the foundation's support has been critical this year in meeting needs on campus.

State budget shortages have resulted in cutbacks in funding for the school. In a belt-tightening move, BCC has severely restricted funding for staff and faculty and development activities along with other measures.

So far the BCC Foundation has raised \$30,000 of its \$50,000 community fund drive goal for the year, said Vickie Spencer, BCC's development officer and foundation executive.

In turn, recent expenditures by the foundation have:

- allowed a general education instructor to present a paper at a conference in Chicago;

- paid the fee for BCC to join a community college athletic conference. The first team to be fielded will be in golf;

- supported a mini-grant project by Ann Marie Bellamy, public information officer, to bring county middle school students on campus;

- supported a Valentine's Dance for students of the Brunswick Inter-agency Program;

- provided \$2,300 to pay work/study students;

- purchased a flag set for the board room.

In addition to cash, the foundation has received in-kind contributions of textbooks for math and electronics classes, and broken television sets and microwaves which classes will repair, then sell for funds for the program.

Individuals are also donating funds for books for the college library.

BCC To Improve Campus Security

Brunswick Community College plans to increase campus security this year with the hiring of an evening coordinator and installation of alarms and a computerized card access system.

The three-step plan, approved by trustees last week, will cost approximately \$25,431.

The new employee will not be a "security guard," but his or her presence on campus is expected to help deter crime.

The part-time staff member would be available to assist faculty, answer questions for visitors, escort females to their cars on request and generally manage the college in the evening. This coordinator would be equipped

with a walkie-talkie for communication with the switchboard operator and will be paid \$8 an hour.

An earlier proposal called for the alarm and card access systems, but no additional employees. A committee of trustees has since decided that the college's highest priority should be the physical security of students, visitors and staff.

The second phase of the project calls for installing alarm systems in building without them, activating all campus alarm systems and tying them to a emergency notification service bureau, at a cost of \$10,431.

Finally, as the project budget permit, a computerized card access system would be installed building by building. "The computer can tell us who went in and when," said Albert Wooten, chairman of the building and grounds committee.

Noting that a similar system is in place at Carolina Power & Light's Brunswick Nuclear Plant, Board Chairman David Kelly said, "It works mighty good."

The \$25,000 budget for campus security was included in the college's allocation from Brunswick County this year.

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