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DISTRICT JUDGE POLJ BAREFOOT heard Celeste Locklear read her book as part of the Adopt A Child reading program at Shallotte Middle School.

## Community Leaders Adopt Readers At Middle School

Shallotte Middle School has become an adoption agency.

However, no babies are involved and no parenting expected. Instead, an adult volunteer who participates adopts a student from the school as a reading partner, purchases an appropriate book for that student to read and spends a total of an hour with that young person in the school on two separate visits.

Part of the Chapter I reading program led by Barbara J. Holcombe and Dayna Raines Sanders, this project recruited more than a dozen Brunswick County leaders, including N.C. Rep. David Redwine, District Judge Polj Barefoot and District Attorney Rex Gore, along with several business executives and others who hold responsible positions.

The adopting adult visits Shallotte Middle School on a pre-arranged day to present a book to the student of their choice and to spend a few minutes discussing their position in the community and why reading is

important. This participant returns on a later date to hear the book read by the student.

Several related activities can accompany this shared reading. The school encourages recognition by teachers in the form of certificates, ribbons or other awards for a designated number of books read. Any class in which 100 books were read was treated to an ice cream party by Principal Mark Owens.

Rex Gore instigated his own reward activity. He presented the book *Counting on Frank* to Alyxandra Kuigre, his student reader, and left with Alyxandra a bag of candy with a \$5 bill attached. Since the book was about counting, the student was to guess the number of candies in the bag. For a correct guess and two books read by a certain date, Alyxandra got to keep the \$5.

The purpose of the program is to improve reading ability and develop an understanding of why reading is important to become responsible citizens in the society.

## STUDENTS IN THE NEWS

### 14 Attain ECU Honor List

Fourteen students with Brunswick County ties earned academic honors during the spring semester at East Carolina University in Greenville.

All 14 attained the honor roll, earning a B average with no grade below C.

The students and their parents or guardians are as follows:

Trina Kathleen Benton, Gerald Wayne and Ellen Kathleen Benton, Route 2, Ash; Sherry Lynn Fields, William D. and Shela J. Fields, Shallotte; Sara Lynn Hardee, Curtis K. and Sheryl A. Hardee, Calabash; Cheryl Larnice Jones, Charles C. and Evelena L. Jones, Winnabow; Steven Davis Scarborough, Jack and Rosie Scarborough, Shallotte; Harold Dean Smith, Bennie H. and Sally V. Smith, Route 1, Ash; Tammy Renee Somerset, Charles W. and Dianna White Somerset, Route 7, Shallotte; Bonnie Lynn Stanley, Bun J. and Dorothy W. Stanley, Route 3, Shallotte; Holly Dean Tripp, James Ralph and Leona Lynn Tripp, Route 1, Ash; B. Gore Vermelson of Greenville, Thomas Frederick and Jetty Sullivan Gore, Supply;

Also, Phillip Merrit Beeker, Carolyn Schmacher, Southport; Joellen Carol Best, Joe C. and Jessie M. Best, Route 2, Leland; Ash Leigh Brook Dalrymple, James W. and Brenda Dalrymple, Leland; Tracy Lynn Haddock, William B. Haddock of Leland and Mitzi H. Brombery of Greenville.

### To Work As Intern

Rommy Skipper of Leland was one of 51 college students selected by a nonprofit foundation to work as copy editing interns at daily newspapers or news services this summer.

Skipper was chosen from a group of 715 applicants by a panel of journalism professors and professional newspaper editors. After a two-week training course in copy editing, libel law and press ethics, Skipper will work as an intern at the Richmond Times-Dispatch in Richmond, Va.

A senior at Brigham Young University, Skipper is the son of Dyon and Carolyn Skipper.

The program is sponsored by the Dow Jones Newspaper Fund, a foundation supported by the Dow Jones Foundation and other newspaper companies to encourage young people to consider journalism careers.

### Recent Graduate

Rosetta L. Jones of Holden Beach graduated with honors from Peace College in Raleigh May 9.

Ms. Jones earned a 4.0 grade point average as a journalism and communications major. She plans to continue her education at the University of North Carolina at Chapel Hill.

She is the daughter of Richard and Fran Jones of Holden Beach.

### Receives Degree

Brunswick County native Diane Marlow has earned her master of arts degree in education from Regent University in Virginia Beach, Va.

Ms. Marlow is the daughter of Rudolph and Arvella Marlow of Thomasboro and a graduate of North Carolina Central University in Durham. She currently lives in Chesapeake, Va., and works with the Norfolk, Va., public school system.

### Graduate Campbell

Two Brunswick County residents received degrees at Campbell University's 106th commencement exercises held May 11.

Karen Rene Hewett of Shallotte received a doctorate in pharmacy. Valerie Lynn Smith of Southport earned a bachelor's degree in business administration.

Campbell University is a private Southern Baptist school located in Buies Creek.

### Watch Group To Honor Students

The Brunswick County Community Watch Association will honor four outstanding students during their school's awards day programs this month.

An eighth grader at Waccamaw Elementary, Shallotte Middle, South Brunswick Middle and Leland Middle school will each receive a trophy and \$50 savings bond for exhibiting the traits and characteristics of good citizenship, said Sheriff's Deputy Don Gates of Brunswick County Community Watch.

Winning students will be chosen by faculty members at each school, said Gates. The Association will sponsor the awards each year, he said.

Community Watch groups throughout the county help deputies patrol neighborhoods as a deterrent to crime.



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PARENT VOLUNTEER Susan Carroll helps kindergartners Travis Gabree (left) and Janaan McEntire play Brainy Bingo on Math Day.

## Project Makes Math Fun

The math team at Lincoln Primary School set out to prove how much fun math could be with a recent Math Activities Day. A variety of games and projects were planned for each grade level.

Kindergartners and first grade students measured with sand, rice and beans and graphed with planes, cars and other objects. They also used pattern blocks to fill hexagons and played a special version of Brainy Bingo. Parent volunteers supervised each center.

Second graders displayed considerable excitement as they weighed, estimated and worked with tangrams and rolled color cubes for probability.

Third graders learned about measuring and estimating meters and kilometers by competing in six unusual metric "Math Olympics" activities. Paper airplanes sailed through the air, but kids weren't "goofing off." The flights constitut-

ed a learning opportunity to estimate how far the planes would fly, then measure with a meter stick to check the predictions.

As first grader Adam Watson put it, "Math is fun when things like that happen."

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## Habitat Regional Director To Talk

Sandra Graham, regional director of Habitat for Humanity International, will be the featured speaker Friday, May 22, at a general meeting of Brunswick County Habitat for Humanity.

The meeting will be held at 7 p.m. at St. James the Fisherman Episcopal Church, 4941 Main Street, Shallotte.

The Rev. Richard Warner and the

Rev. Jack Hancox, co-chairmen, invite the public to attend and learn more about this ecumenical program, which helps low-income families obtain decent housing of their own by becoming partners in the Habitat effort.

Ms. Graham will meet with members of the board of directors at 4 p.m. that same day for a training session, also at St. James.

Dr. Michael W. Wilkerson is no longer associated with



Dr. Gary Ross and Dr. Samuel Kirtley will provide care for his patients.

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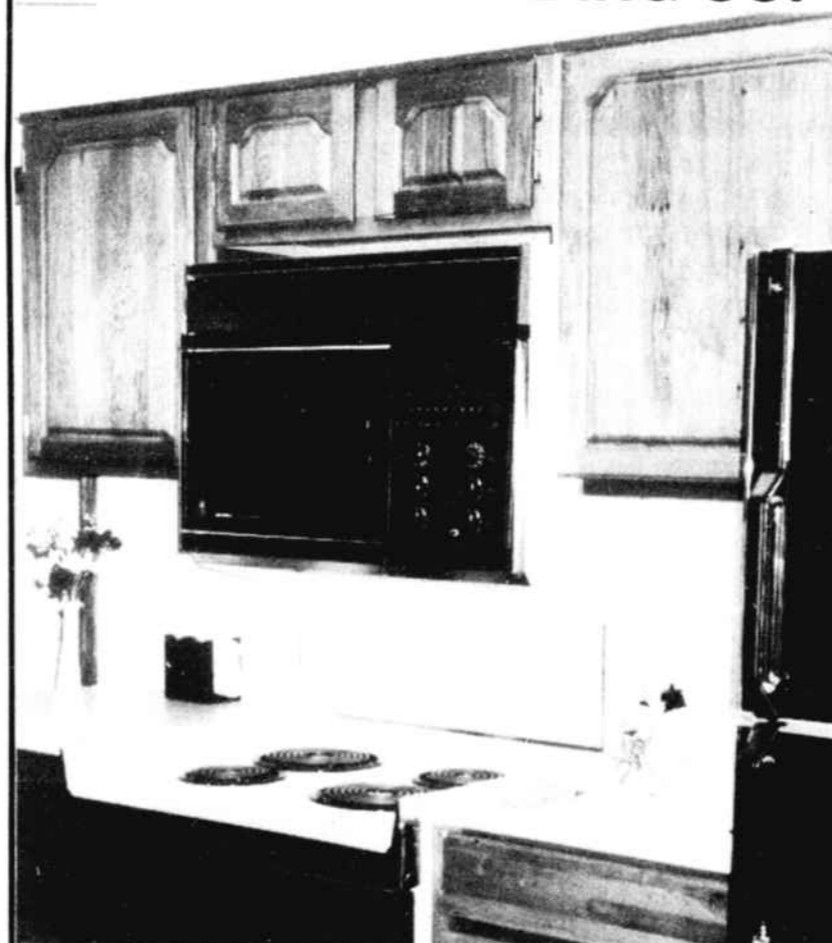
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