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KATHY MARREN



FRANCES WHITE

Top Students Selected

Kathy Marren, daughter of Mrs. Peggy Muldrow, is valedictorian, and Frances White, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Charles E. White, Jr., is salutatorian of the 1973 graduating class of Perquimans High School.

The Grand Honor Roll for Perquimans County High School for the class of 1973 consists of 16 members. To be on the Grand Honor Roll, a student must average 90 for his four years in high school.

Members of the Grand Honor Roll are: Kathy Marren, Frances White, Willie Faye Dail, Gail Eure, Gail Proctor, Eva Newby, June Lane, Brad Fields, Freda Godwin, Vickie Chappell, Mary Brinkley Ward, Jenny White, Allen Lassiter, Robin Perry, Vicki Haskett, and Lucy Frier-son.



THE LEGS WHICH CARRY THE MAIL — Eldon Winslow, of the Hertford Post office jumped into spring fashion while setting the pace with his regulation Bermuda shorts. Winslow didn't say it, but we suspect dogs don't bite but women whistle as he makes his mail rounds. (Staff Photo By Francine Sawyer)

Service Offered

The North Carolina Rural Manpower Service Office has been located in Hertford for some two years now.

The office, a mobile trailer, is located on the Municipal Parking Lot.

The Rural Manpower Service is a unit of the Employment Security Commission of North Carolina. It is designed to offer full employment services in rural county areas that do not have a permanent employment service office. The Hertford office is tied in with the Edenton, Elizabeth City, and Norfolk, Va. Employment Service offices through a computer-job bank system. The local office is served one day a week for Unemployment Compensation purposes by a staff member from the Edenton office.

The Hertford Rural Manpower office serves Perquimans, Chowan, and Gates Counties for rural employment programs. Some of these programs are: Service to Handicapped Workers, Service to Older Workers, Veterans Employment, Youth Employment, recruitment for various Manpower Training programs. Rural industries in the three counties are served from the Hertford office also.

The Rural Manpower Service recruits and refers workers for setting pine seedlings with the N.C. Forest Service and various pulp and paper companies. Workers are recruited and referred to seafood processing plants, construction work, and in agricultural employment for the harvest of fruit, grapes, various truck crops, and flowers. There is no migrant activity in any of the counties now.

Charles T. Skinner, Jr., manager of the Hertford office, is a 15 year employee of the N.C. State Employment Service. Skinner has worked as an interviewer in the Edenton office, as a Veterans Employment Representative in the Elizabeth City office, and as a Farm Placement Representative in the three county area until the mobile office was moved into Hertford in May 1971.

Skinner said one of the biggest problems in referring workers to suitable employment is the lack of transportation from rural areas of workers to job locations.

S.B. Seymour, Jr. of Camden is the Supervisor of Rural Manpower Service activities in a ten county area extending from Perquimans to Halifax County.



Parking Downtown Is Limited To 90 Minutes

Merchants 'Irked' With Parking

BY FRANCINE SAWYER

Some members of the Perquimans County Chamber of Commerce Merchants committee expressed concern with the downtown parking situation.

W.F. Ainsley, a downtown merchant, said he was "irked" by some persons who work in downtown and take up a potential shoppers parking space from 9 a.m. to 5 p.m.

"No one is enforcing the parking ordinance," a committee member said.

"It's been days since I've seen a policeman walk downtown. They just ride by occasionally," another member said.

When parking meters were taken from downtown, parking for free was delegated for 90 minutes.

"The ordinance is on the book," Ainsley said. "It just has to be enforced," he added.

Ainsley cited a working group at an angle across the street from his business as the biggest violators. The group decided to send a letter to the town council asking them to have this ordinance enforced.

At present there are two free municipal parking lots in Hertford.



MANPOWER — Charles Skinner, Jr. of Perquimans County and S.B. Seymour, Jr. of Camden discuss manpower activities.

Firemen Exercises Hold Meeting

HERTFORD — The Quarterly Meeting of the Albemarle Firemen's Association was held at Perquimans High School cafeteria and hosted by the Hertford Volunteer Fire Department on Tuesday night, May 1.

President W.A. Weeks called the meeting to order. He then introduced Chief F.B. Nixon of Hertford who welcomed the visiting firemen. Chief Nixon then introduced Mayor W.D. Cox of Hertford who in turn welcomed the members of the Albemarle Association to Hertford. President Weeks recognized Miss Francine Sawyer of the Perquimans Weekly newspaper as being a guest at our meeting.

John Lively, District Forester with the N.C. Forest Service, was introduced. Mr. Lively introduced Lewis Stallings, Perquimans County Ranger. Mr. Lively showed a series of slide pictures on the various aircraft used by the Forest Service in fire fighting. He also thanked the fire fighters of this area and thru out the state for their support in handling forest fires with his department.

The minutes of the February meeting were read and stood as being correct. Roll Call of the AFA membership departments was called. Ten departments were represented with a total of 87 people in attendance. President Weeks read the minutes of the Board of Directors meeting held in Hertford on March 16, 1973.

President Weeks called on Kermit Layton, Executive Director, to explain the shot gun raffle to be held among member departments. Motion was made, seconded, and carried to accept the recommendation of the Board of Directors. Mr. Layton then gave a report from the Executive Director's Office and his activities. He reported that donations amounting to \$225.00 from the AFA had been forwarded to the N.C. Firemen's Burn Center Fund at Chapel Hill, N.C. He welcomed Englehard Fire Department into the Association as a new member. The committee work on agricultural chemical emergencies was discussed. Mr. Layton reported that the Weeksville Department is working on a rating for their department and assistance is being rendered by the Executive Director. He closed after commenting on the various area training programs in the past and now underway.

Exercises Planned

Plans are being made for Commencement exercises to be held at Perquimans County High School Gymnasium Friday, June 1, at 8 p.m. the Reverend R. Lorenzo Newby, Pastor of the St. Paul and Oak Hill A.M.E.Z. Churches, will give the invocation and benediction. The speaker for the occasion will be Dr. W.O. Fields, Jr., Assistant Superintendent, State Department of Public Instruction. Baccalaureate and commencement exercises are being combined this year into one exercise.

Special music will be presented by the Glee Club under the direction of Miss Caroline Wright. There are 156 candidates in line for the presentation of diplomas. The valedictorian is Kathy Marren, daughter of Mrs. Peggy Muldrow. The salutatorian is Frances White, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Charles E. White, Jr. Trophies will be presented to the valedictorian and salutatorian.

Members of the County board of Education, Mr. William E. Byrum, Principal of PCHS, Mr. C.C. Walters, Superintendent of Perquimans County Schools, will be seated on the stage for the graduating exercises. Mr. Clifford Winslow, Chairman of the Board of Education, will present the diplomas.

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Senior Citizens Events

BY FRANCINE SAWYER

HERTFORD — The merchants committee of the Perquimans County Chamber of Commerce voted Friday to "treat senior citizens special" in observance of senior citizens week being observed nationally and statewide.

Perquimans County chairman of the commissioners board declared and recognized Senior Citizens Week as May 20 through 26 in the county.

He is calling on the agencies, organizations, churches, businesses, and other groups to join in observing this week as senior citizens week.

Merchants in the local stores will be giving discounts at their discretion to senior citizens on the Thursday, Friday and Saturday who show their senior citizen card.

Movies Tonight

Two of the greatest names in movies will be spotlighted tonight at 8 p.m. in the Municipal Building in Hertford for the next presentation of free family films presented by your Chamber of Commerce.

They are Charlie Chaplin and Walt Disney.

One of Chaplin's earliest films, one of his funniest, but one that is not often viewed is "Mabel at the Wheel" co-starring another great name of the silent screen, Mabel Normand. Also appearing is Mack Sennett who later became famous as the producer of many great movies featuring Sennett's bathing beauties.

Also - Walt Disney's "Rite of Spring" a portion of his outstanding film "Fantasia," and regarded by many as the most exciting scene from that well-known movie.

Plus - "Sunday Lark" fascinating short subject about the adventures of a little girl in a Wall Street brokerage office.

Remember, you're invited. And it's free.



KATHY MARREN

ANNUAL VISITOR Blue mold is an annual visitor to North Carolina's big tobacco country. The fungus disease was first identified in the state in 1931, and it has been found somewhere in the state each spring since that date. It was first identified this year around the last of April.



OBSERVES 34th ANNIVERSARY — The Hertford Lions Club celebrated its 34th anniversary Monday night at the Angler's Cove. From left, Wm. Claude Brinn, C. Ray Pruitt, second vice president to N.C. Association For The Blind, Charles Woodard, president and John T. Biggers, secretary. (Sawyer Photo)

Perquimans Personality

Kathy Marren

By FRANCINE SAWYER

Kathy Marren believes students should get involved while in high school. "That's the reason apathy strikes, if a student isn't involved," she said.

Kathy should know. She is valedictorian of the upcoming graduation class at Perquimans County High School. She has an overall average of 95.7. That's involved.

She said she always wanted to do well in high school because she wanted to go to college. Knowing the expense of college Kathy decided scholarships on merit were the answer.

Any impression one has of Kathy, perhaps that of her nose always stuck in a book should be dispelled.

Her idea of involvement didn't stop with the text book, rather it expanded into extra after-school activities.

For starters, the honor student for her entire four-year high school stint was a cheerleader, chief this year, member of the health club, on the newspaper staff, this year she is editor, member of the N.C. State Dept. of Public Instruction Student Involvement Task Force, she's listed in "Who's Who in High School" and Society of Outstanding American High School Students.

Not only that, but an after-school job at a local

restaurant. The long-haired girl, with a wide smile does in her spare time enjoy poetry, reading, creative writing, handwork, swimming and "loves to bowl."

Kathy cited The Governors School she attended last summer as a highlight of her high school career. "So many gifted students in one place was really an experience," she said.

Liked by teachers and popular with students, she is somewhat a moderator between students and teachers. Wise enough to understand both parties.

As far as Perquimans' County School system, Kathy had this to say: "I like the school system. It is small enough to be personal yet large enough to offer a varied course."

Her favorite subject is English and history. Content is what she has for math.

She wants to major in English and "get into journalism." Either teaching it or doing it.

This summer she plans on getting married. Then she will go to College of the Albemarle and hopefully the University of North Carolina at Chapel Hill.

She's the girl of today who wears her jeans and doesn't wear her shoes. Her toenails are painted red.