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## Saturday Is Youth Day

The Perquimans County Jaycees are sponsoring a Youth Day for young people in the county on Saturday, Dec. 7.

Any young person between the ages of eight and eighteen who is a resident of Perquimans County is eligible to enter the competition which will be held at Perquimans County High School in the ballpark and gymnasium. All young people meeting the above requirements are encouraged to participate in the Youth Day activities. There will be male and female divisions in each event. Certificates will be presented to the winner in each competition. There will be three age group divisions for participants: age 8-14, ages 15 and 16, and ages 17 and 18. There will be no entrance fee.

The competition will begin with foot races at 9 a.m., followed by baseball at 10:30 a.m. Basketball competition will begin at 12 noon followed by the afternoon events, football at 1:30 p.m. and horseshoes at 3 p.m.

The Youth Day will follow the Christmas Parade to be held on Friday, and also sponsored by the Perquimans County Jaycees. Concerning Youth Day, chairman Lee Brabble said, "We are hoping to meet the young people's need for more recreation and the Jaycees feel that the young people in the county should be recognized in some way.

Any person requesting more information on the Youth Day may contact Lee Brabble at 426-5748 (business), or 426-7275 (home).



**THE FIRST LADY** — North Carolina's first lady, Mrs. James Holshouser, visited Perquimans County to be the guest speaker at the annual Chamber of Commerce banquet held Nov. 25.



**HUFFIN' & PUFFIN'** — Rev. James McKenzie provided entertainment at the chamber by combining storytelling and bagpipe playing.

## First Lady Speaks Here

During her recent visit to Perquimans County, North Carolina's first lady, Mrs. James Holshouser pointed out that the county as well as the entire state "has a definite and proud part in the nationwide Bicentennial Celebration."

Mrs. Holshouser was guest speaker at the annual Chamber of Commerce banquet held Nov. 25 at Angler's Cove Restaurant. A large crowd turned out to talk with the first lady and hear her remarks.

Mrs. Holshouser presented some history of the Perquimans area and outlined several reasons why North Carolinians should be proud to take part in the upcoming 200th birthday of the nation. She said, "Two hundred years ago, Hertford was already an established township in what was to become one of the original thirteen states. Our ancestors were struggling with problems of hunger, high prices, and war. The early settlers, or at least those who became permanent, came down

from Virginia for economic reasons. They needed land."

The attractive first lady, the youngest in the state's history, mentioned the new slogan for the five year license plates beginning in 1975 which will read, "First in Freedom." Concerning this, she said, "Why? Because our forefathers right here on this soil where I stand tonight were in the vanguard of that first movement of the American Revolution."

In closing, Mrs. Holshouser said, "People here in Hertford are working on the restoration of the Newbold-White House. This is concrete evidence that you treasure your personal heritage in North Carolina. I know you are here tonight because you care about your town — its past and its future. I think we do care enough to give our country, our state and our county the same kind of courage and dedication and the same kind of vision as our forefathers."



**OLD FRIENDS** — Jim "Catfish" Hunter was inducted in the North Carolina Sports Hall of Fame on Monday night by his old friend Francis Combs, right. Shown here, the two take time out from reminiscing to pose for pictures.



**ACCEPTANCE** — Jimmy Hunter, Perquimans County's favorite son, accepts his induction into the N.C. Sports Hall of Fame.

## Hunter Inducted In Hall Of Fame

The name Jimmy "Catfish" Hunter brings different things to mind. To sportswriters "Catfish" is this year's Cy Young Award winner and one of the most consistent pitchers that baseball has ever seen. To hopeful boys, Hunter is a hero. And to the people in Perquimans County, Jimmy is a country boy who likes the outdoors, fishing and hunting. And as of Monday night, Jimmy Hunter is a member of the North Carolina Sports Hall of Fame.

At the Hall of Fame's twelfth annual awards banquet held Monday night in Greensboro, Hunter along with four other outstanding athletes in North Carolina

was inducted. The purpose of the hall of fame is to honor those persons who by their excellence have brought recognition and esteem to themselves and to the state of North Carolina.

Master of ceremonies for the occasion was the N.C. Sports Hall of Fame's president Woody Durham. Jim Melvin, mayor of the city of Greensboro was also on hand to welcome the honored men and guests.

Following dinner, Durham recognized past hall of fame honorees who were present and commentaries on the hall of fame inductees were given. Commenting on the



**A FEW WORDS** — Francis Combs recalled some of the outstanding feats accomplished by Hunter which made him eligible for the Hall of Fame honor.



**HAPPY OCCASION** — Presenting Jimmy Hunter with the Hall of Fame plaque was Woody Durham, president of the N.C. Sports Hall of Fame. (Staff Photos by Ray Ward)

induction of Hunter was his life-time friend and schoolmate Francis Combs. Combs recalled the fictitious story of how Hunter got his famous nickname, "Catfish," and jokingly told those present that the hunting accident which has been constantly recalled by sportscasters, was not an accident but an attempt by Hunter to dodge the draft.

Those in Perquimans County who know Hunter can understand why he said he would rather be in Hertford when he accepted his induction. The down home boy doesn't enjoy publicity and speaking engagements. But Hunter proudly accepted the honor and expressed his thanks in

being one of the few North Carolina athletes to be inducted in the Hall of Fame.

Other inductees include Earle Edwards, retired football coach of N.C. State; the late Clayton Heafner, an outstanding pro golfer; Walter F. "Buck" Leonard, who retired in glory from the Negro National League. Leonard is the only North Carolinian to have been inducted in the national Baseball Hall of Fame in Cooperstown, N.Y. The remaining inductee at the Monday night ceremony was Art Weiner, former football player for Carolina who later began a professional career with the old New York Yankees.

## Law Expires

Starting January 1, 1975, The Right Turn on Red Law will cease in North Carolina. The North Carolina General Assembly, which enacted the law this year, created the statute effective only through December 31, 1974. North Carolina Transportation Secretary Troy A. Doby said his department will seek continuing legislation of the popular law. Doby said, "I believe this was an oversight on the part of the past General Assembly. Most of the legislators I have talked with seem to favor continuing The Right Turn on Red Law and will try to get it passed early in next year's session."

D.O.T. safety officials

said a check of traffic accidents related to The Right Turn on Red Law are small in number according to records. Doby added, the State plans to keep its 1,660 signs erected which prohibit Right Turn on Red in anticipation of General Assembly action in January. The signs were installed at a cost of \$36,000 to the state and are located at large intersections throughout the state.

"Our Department's Information Services Office will request the aid of the State's news media to inform all our drivers of the change in The Right Turn on Red Law with a massive advertisement effort in December," Doby concluded.

## Commissioners Meet

The Board of Perquimans County Commissioners appointed Lester Simpson to serve a 2-year term as Chairman of the Board of Perquimans County Commissioners: R.S. Monds, Vice Chairman, for a 2-year term; S.M. Whedbee, County Attorney, for a 2-year term; and Julian Powell, Clerk for a 1 year term.

In other matters of business at their meeting on Monday, the Board adopted a Resolution for the purpose of creating a Perquimans County Recreation Commission.

Another Resolution adopted by the Board states: when any conveyance of real property (other than a deed of trust or mortgage) is submitted for recordation, the Board may require Register of Deeds to refuse to record it unless it has been presented to the tax supervisor, who has noted there on that he has obtained the information he desires for conveyance from the person recording it.

The Board authorized The Re-Evaluation Reserve Fund to be amended in the amount of \$50,000.00.

## Parade Tomorrow

The annual Christmas Parade scheduled for tomorrow, Dec. 6 at 4 p.m. should prove to be one of the largest and best ever.

At press time, approximately fifty participating civic clubs, churches, individuals and organizations had joined the planned parade.

Participants will assemble at Perquimans County High School at 3:15 p.m. and the parade will begin at 4 p.m. This year's parade is being sponsored by the Perquimans County Jaycees with assistance from the Perquimans County Chamber of Commerce.

The parade route will be the same as in past years. The parade will leave the high school and travel north on Edenton Road St., will then travel east along Dobb St. and move northward along Church St. The parade will continue west along Grubb St. and return to the high school back along Edenton Road St.

Cash prizes will be awarded to the first and second place band and float. Five judges will review the entries as they pass in front of the courthouse. Judges are Ray Ward (Chief Judge) of The Perquimans Weekly, Vann Campbell of WGAI radio station and Bill Rogers of WMYK radio station. To add the female touch, remaining judges are Bonnie White and Jean Winslow.

The parade will include approximately 20 floats, bands, clowns, and many other surprises which will keep the crowd entertained.

One of the highlights of the annual Christmas Parade is the visit by Santa Claus. Tomorrow, he will be on hand to delight the young and the young at heart. Santa will stop downtown with goodies for the children and a reminder that his night visit is not far away.

With Thanksgiving just past and the holiday season upon us, the Christmas Parade and Santa Claus are coming to town — tomorrow at 4 p.m.

## Attend Conference

Perquimans County school superintendent C.C. Walters and assistant superintendent Pat Harrell will return today from a three-day conference held in Durham, N.C.

The winter conference for members of the Division of Superintendents of the North Carolina Association of Educators was held Dec. 3-5.

Speaker at a banquet held Tuesday night was Tommy Bell, a national football official.

The Wednesday morning session included special awards to superintendents for their years of service and recognition of retiring

superintendents in North Carolina. The morning session also included a panel program on the proposed fiscal control act. Presenting the program were Harlan Boyles, deputy state treasurer; Waverly Aikins, president of the N.C. Association of County Commissioners; Ms. Mary Scroggs, president of the N.C. School Boards Association; and Ms. Ann Dellinger, N.C. Institute of Government.

The Wednesday afternoon program was concerning legislative outlook presented by State Superintendent Craig Phillips and N.C. Lt. Gov. Jim Hunt.

## Offices Will Be Closed

The License Bureau and the office of the Perquimans County Chamber of Commerce will be closed all day, Tuesday, Dec. 10, so that the license bureau employees may attend an annual district meeting of licensing agents.

Regular hours will continue before and after that date. The office is open from 9:15 a.m. to 5 p.m. Monday.

Tuesday, Thursday and Friday — and from 9:15 a.m. until noon on Wednesday and Saturday.

New plates go on sale Jan. 2.

The Selective Service System area office in Elizabeth City will be closed December 9, 10 and 11. The Personnel will be attending a training conference in Raleigh.

## Honor Students

The second six weeks grading period recently ended at Perquimans County High School. Below is a list of students named to the Honor Roll:

**A Honor Roll** — Rita Rogerson, Mary Bryant, Susan Banks, Ann Ward, Cindy Hendren, Cathy Evans, Priscilla White, Carolyn Felton, June Jordan, Olga Simpson, Rita Byrum, Earl Lane, George Bowser, Beth Winslow, Debbie Meads, Valerie Perry, Patty Riddick, Susan Rogerson, Robert Kendrick.

**A-B Honor Roll** — Geraldine White, Carlin Whitehurst, Barbara Layden, Beverly Carter, Darlene Riddick, Martha Coston, Steve Chambers, Clark Baker, Dennis Smith, Jackie Overton, Roger Nowell, Terry Cobb, Homeria Jeanette, William Berry, Brenda Blanchard, Ellen Perry, Clyde Elliot, James Smith, Judie Dail, Debbie Harden, Suzy Towe, Teri Copeland, Chris Harrell, Phillip Harrell, Lynne Downing, William Harris, Beth Swindell, Claudia Winslow, Ella Sue Chappell, Tyrone Spellman, Cheryl Stallings, Connie Arnold, Debbie Harrell, Thomas Rountree, Karen Hoogerland, Donna Baker, Cedric Burke, Terry Chappell, Oliver Felton, Ruby Felton, Nancy Long, Deborah Saunders, David Scaff, Carol Felton, Anthony Whitehurst, Ruthie Ward, David Trueblood, Tony Jordan, Yvonne Baker, Beverly Barnhill, Cynthia Cullipher, Reginald Overton, Margie Saunders, Michelle Boyce, Betty Jones, Elnora Rose, Venetia Vaughn, Winfred Winslow, Robin Bass, Janet Riddick, Cynthia Chappell, Mary Hurdle, Cathy Newberry, Bridget Dale, Mike Applegate, Jo Anne Meads, Scott Tilley, Sharon Riddick, Cindy Gossage, Diane Rogerson, Wayne Tarkenton, Anne Winslow, Benita Hollowell, Deborah Lowe, Janet Mumford, Kathy Stallings, Stanley Thompson, Chris Barnhill, Paul White, Gwen Whidbee, Theresa Spruill, Mark Cummings, Darlene Jones, Clifford Rowe, Adrian Brothers, Sandra Scaff.

**B Honor Roll** — Joanne Blanchard, Jeanette Jones.