

## Quick Takes

### Local Student Makes ECU Dean's List

Luann S. Chappell, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Lewis Stallings of Belvidere, was among the students at East Carolina University to be placed on the Honor Roll for the Fall quarter.

A total of 2,973 East Carolina University students earned places on the university's official honors list for the Fall quarter. The total was one of the highest for quarter honors lists in ECU history,

comparing with 2,926 for the Spring quarter of 1974.

The honors lists included students from 86 of the state's 100 counties, from 24 of the 50 states and from six foreign countries.

Most elite of the honor students are those making all A's. Next are those who made the Dean's List with a solid B-plus average with no grade below C. The Honor Roll includes those students making a B average with no grade below C.

### Recreation Association To Hold Awards Banquet

The Perquimans County Recreation Association will have its First Annual Awards Banquet on Saturday night, February 1, at Perquimans Union School in Winfall. The banquet will begin at 7:30 p.m. A family styled dinner of fried

chicken and barbecue will be served. Jim "Catfish" Hunter will be the special guest at the banquet. All persons are invited to attend. Cost of the banquet is \$5.00 per person. Tickets may be purchased at Woodard's Pharmacy.

### Snug Harbor Youth Group Holds Elections

The Snug Harbor Youth Group met at the home of Mrs. Harold Thompson on Saturday, January 18.

Elections were held. The new officers are Steve Midgett, President; Mike Hagan and John Hoggard co-vice presidents.

The young people worked on crafts for the bazaar.

They practiced songs for the Easter Sunrise Service.

Marching Unit calendars were presented to those who have contributed most to the group. Those honored were Steve Midgett, Mike Hagan, John Hoggard, Kathy Baker, and Christine Sears.

Coke and chips were served.

### Undelivered Tax Checks

Undelivered income tax refund checks totalling nearly \$276,000.00 await claim by 1,866 North Carolina taxpayers. Mr. Robert A. LeBaube, District Director of Internal Revenue Service for North Carolina, said today.

This represents an average of almost \$148.00

for each claimant, Mr. LeBaube said.

Any taxpayer who has not yet received his refund from previous years should call or visit his local IRS office for information regarding claim procedure. The check will be reissued. Greensboro residents may call 274-3711.



**COA FRESHMEN LEADERS** — The freshman class at College of The Albemarle recently elected class officers. The new freshman officers are from left, Jeff Hampton, president; Cindy Douglass, secretary-treasurer; and David Meiggs, vice-president. Hampton is the son of Rayburn I. Hampton of Coinjock, and Meiggs is the son of Ray S. Meiggs of Camden.

### Cultural Events

Saturday, Feb. 1, 8 p.m.

Sunday, Feb. 2, 2 and 8 p.m.

Premiere performance of "She Stoops to Conquer" to be presented by the City Chamber Ensemble for two years and concertized extensively as a soloist in the Atlanta area before coming to Martin County. The concert will begin at 7:30 p.m. and the admission is \$1.00, which will go to support the Chowan Arts Council. The program is being sponsored by the Northeastern Arts Council.

Saturday, Jan. 25

"Fiddler on the Roof", 2:00 and 8:00 p.m. Winner of 10 Tony Awards and the New York Drama Critic's Award. Stewart Theatre, NCSU.

Friday, Jan. 24

Edenton, N.C. Parrish House, St. Paul's Church. Tom Marnell, artist-in-residence at Martin Technical Institute, will

hold a classical guitar concert. Mr. Marnell, a native of Atlanta, Georgia, played with the West Point Chamber Ensemble for two years and concertized extensively as a soloist in the Atlanta area before coming to Martin County. The concert will begin at 7:30 p.m. and the admission is \$1.00, which will go to support the Chowan Arts Council. The program is being sponsored by the Northeastern Arts Council.

#### VISITS HOME

Ms. Jann Dillon, student at the University of North Carolina, Chapel Hill, spent the week end with her parents, Mr. & Mrs. J. W. Dillon.

### Schools Serve Exceptional Children

During 1973-74 North Carolina Public Schools served 116,661 exceptional children in programs designed to meet their individual needs, according to statistics recently compiled from principals' year-end reports to the Department of Public Instruction and special local unit reports to the Division for Exceptional Children. "This figure," said Theodore R. Drain, director of the Division for Exceptional Children, "is an increase of 9,666 over the 1972-73 total; however, the number still represents only about 37 per cent of the State's estimated number of school-aged children who are either mentally or physically handicapped, learning disabled, emotionally disturbed, speech and/or hearing impaired, or gifted and talented."

Analysis of the data revealed large increases in numbers of children served in several program areas. In the area of learning disabilities, some 8,065 children were enrolled in special programs in 1973-74, an increase of 37.5 per cent over last year, said Drain.

Other areas indicating sizable increases included hospitalized-homebound, growing from 1,954 children in 1972-73 to 3,661 in 1973-74, and gifted and talented, moving from 25,490 to 29,815. Special instructional programs also served 2,159 children with emotional handicaps; 39,015 educable mentally retarded; 208 hearing impaired; 28,748 speech impaired; and 3,676 trainable mentally retarded.

Only two programs showed a decrease in numbers of children served, the crippled and the visually

impaired. Only 756 children were in programs for the crippled in 1973-74, a decrease of 139 as compared to 1972-73 enrollment. Services for children with visual handicaps last year were provided to 558 children as opposed to 1,066 the year before. According to Drain, removal of architectural barriers, increased mobility, control of crippling diseases, and more accurate reporting of children needing the services of a special teacher account for the decreases in these areas.

The total number of teachers of exceptional children funded by federal, state and local sources was 3,163, an increase of 215 over the 1972-73 school year.

Approval by the 1974 General Assembly of an \$8.1 million increase in funding for programs for exceptional children is expected to provide services to several thousand additional children during the present school year. The State Board of Education has included in its 1975-77 budget request an additional \$45 million to aid local school units in meeting the requirements of the Equal Education Opportunities Act which guarantees appropriate education to all children with special needs.

The \$45 million would provide over 700 new teaching positions, including 204 in the area of learning disabilities; staff development activities; 110 school psychologist positions; and an increase in the grant-in-aid program for trainable mentally retarded children and in the education expense grants available to severely handicapped children whose needs cannot be met in the public schools.

### Jim Hunter To Receive Will Wynne Award

The 25th Annual Hot Stove League Baseball Banquet will be held Jan. 28 at 7 p.m. at the Hilton Inn in Raleigh, N.C.

Jim "Catfish" Hunter will receive the Will Wynne Award selected by news media, radio, television and sports writers throughout the state.

The Perquimans County Chamber of Commerce is heading up a drive to get buses to take all persons interested in attending this banquet honoring Perquimans County's favorite son.

Approximate cost of travel and banquet will be \$15.00. Anyone wishing to go should contact Wayne Winslow at 426-5245, Jean Harrison, chamber secretary at 426-5657, or Bill Cox at 426-7986 for further information. Money for the trip should be turned in to any of the persons above no later than Friday, Jan. 24 by noon. The bus or busses will leave Hertford at 2:45 p.m. on Tuesday, Jan. 28.

#### PEANUT CROP

North Carolina grew about 398 million pounds of peanuts last year, or about 15 per cent less than in the previous year. The estimated yield is 2,400 pounds per acre — 410 pounds under the record set in 1973.

#### DANCE

The Elizabeth City Shrine Club will have a dance Saturday night, Jan. 25 for Shriners and their guests from 9:30 to 12:30 p.m. The price will be \$5.00 per couple. Music will be provided by Vince Corey and the Squires.

### JAYCEES WE SALUTE YOU!

We, the members of the Perquimans County Jaycees would like to take this opportunity to salute that organization of dedicated young men known as the Perquimans County Jaycees during this National Jaycee Week.

As Jaycee wives, we are proud of the accomplishments these men have made in the area of community involvement and self-improvement.

We support the Jaycees in their many worthwhile undertakings and offer our encouragement to them.

We also would like to thank the Perquimans County Jaycees for extending our charter and encouraging us in our own projects.

Sincerely,  
The Perquimans County Jaycees



**COMMISSIONERS MEET** — Members of the Perquimans County Jaycees participated in another Jaycee Week activity Monday Night when they attended the County Commissioners' meeting held at the county courthouse. The Jaycees attended the meeting in order to better understand the workings of local government and to provide the club with more community involvement.



**LEARNING EXPERIENCE** — Perquimans County Jaycees members look on, listen, and learn during a business session of the County Commissioners. (Staff photos by Ray Wood)



# January

## SPECIALS

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