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## Civil Preparedness Day Is Proclaimed

RALEIGH — Governor Jim Holshouser today proclaimed April 22, 1976, as Civil Preparedness Day in North Carolina. The official proclamation was presented by John J. Tolson, III, Secretary of the North Carolina Department of Military and Veterans Affairs, to David L. Britt, Director of the Department's Civil Preparedness Division.

The proclamation calls attention to a Civil Preparedness exercise to occur on that date. According to the proclamation, the exercise is designed "to test the Disaster Relief and Assistance Plan and to train personnel having emergency and disaster assistance responsibilities." The Disaster Relief and Assistance Plan, a new plan developed during the past two years, involves appropriate State departments, various Federal and local agencies and quasi-governmental and voluntary relief organizations. The test, the first on a State level since 1972, is being conducted by the Division of Civil Preparedness of the Department of Military and Veterans Affairs.

The emergency phase of the exercise will begin at 8:30 a.m. on April 22, when Governor Holshouser activates the State-wide Emergency Broadcast System (EBS) with a short message to be transmitted over all radio stations in the State. It will include a simulated declaration of a state of disaster in North Carolina due to the attack of a hurricane on the coast. The Executive Cabinet and members of the media will be present at the 8:30 a.m. briefing.

For the rest of the day, participants will occupy the Governor's Emergency Operating Center in the Administration Building. At intervals, specially-prepared bulletins will come to them describing specific incidents of damage by the supposed hurricane and certain immediate dangers to inhabitants and property of the coastal area. Players in the exercise will then decide what steps their departments or agencies should take to provide assistance. For example, a representative from the Department of Transportation might conclude that an area should be evacuated with the assistance of the Highway Patrol. His duty would be to exercise the Governor's decision to evacuate by issuing the appropriate orders. However, all exercise play pertaining to the response to any order will be simulated. The entire exercise will be contained within the confines of the Emergency Operating Center.

In an afternoon session, players will coordinate in providing the enormous amount of information the Governor needs in requesting the President to declare the site of the hurricane a disaster area.

In his proclamation, Governor Holshouser said, "Civil Preparedness is a program jointly shared by federal, state and local governments to assure the safety and well-being of citizens during emergency or disaster." He urged citizens "to do whatever is necessary to be prepared for any emergency or disaster as individuals, organizations, businesses and governments."



FIRE DESTROYS HOME — Pictured above are the remains of the home belonging to Mr. and Mrs. T.T. Harrell of Rt. 1, Hertford. Two fire departments answered the fire call which was put in around 3:30 a.m. Tuesday morning. There was no serious injury. (Photo by Jack Spence, Weekly Intern)

## Early Morning Fire Takes Harrell Home



AWARD RECIPIENTS — Billy White (center) is awarded the Postal Service Employee Bicentennial Award by Bruce N. Coyner (right). Also pictured is Bill Herman who is now employed with the Jacksonville, Fla. bulk mail center. Herman, who was a former employe with the Hertford Post Office, was also a recipient of the coveted award. He received the award for his work at the local post office and in the community.



BICENTENNIAL AWARD — W.A. "Billy" White, pictured third from left, has been named a recipient of the Postal Service Employee Bicentennial Award. The presentation was made at the Hertford Post Office last Thursday morning by Bruce N. Conyers, shown above. Conyers is the Sectional Center Manager and Postmaster at Rocky Mount, N.C. The award was presented to White for support of community activities in commemoration of the U.S. Bicentennial. Also shown above are Henry Stokes Jr., Hertford Postmaster, Mrs. Billy White, and Hertford Mayor Bill Cox. White is a rural mail carrier on Rt. 3, Hertford. (Newbern photos)



LIVESTOCK SHOW ENTRIES — Pictured above are two entries in the upcoming Livestock Show and Sale scheduled to be held April 27-28 at Small's Produce Terminal on the Wecksville Road, Elizabeth City. At left, is Cheryl Stallings shown with one of the steers to be entered and in the picture at right is C.F. Stallings Jr. with a pig entry.

Both are 4-H club members and the children of Mr. and Mrs. Claxton Stallings of Rt. 1, Belvidere. From Perquimans County, there will be three steers in the show and sale and fourteen 4-H members from the county will show hogs. Local participants range in age from grades 4-12. (Newbern photos)

## Citizens For Reading To Sponsor Classes

Perquimans County Citizens United for the Improvement of Reading is opening a class for training persons to teach illiterates to read. Any adult may enroll. The short course is free. The class will meet Thursday, April 22 (today) for the first time at the Hertford Grammar School beginning at 3 p.m. After that, classes will be held

each Tuesday and Thursday for a total of ten sessions.

Coordinated by the Learning Institute of North Carolina (LINC), Citizens United is a statewide effort to promote programs to improve reading at all age levels, from preschool through adults, and in a variety of settings: public schools libraries, day care centers industrial plants, universities, community

colleges, recreational facilities, churches, community centers, and others.

Activities initiated by Citizens United task forces across the state include: recruiting, training, and expanding volunteer tutor corps for schools; conducting used book drives with distribution throughout the community; arranging workshops and courses for parents on how to promote reading readiness in preschoolers; preparation of radio and television documentaries on reading; expanding tutoring services for adult nonreaders using the Laubach tutoring system.

Also, formation of county-school library associations; arranging publicity and offering support for successful reading programs; opening school libraries during summer months; encouraging industry to establish incentive reading programs for employees; assisting service and civic groups with reading projects; writing an ongoing series of newspaper articles on reading; sponsoring reading projects in the schools; and revitalizing or establishing local PTA's.

## Announces Candidacy

Mrs. Jean B. Harrison has announced her candidacy for the office of Register of Deeds of Perquimans County subject to the August Democratic Primary. Mrs. Harrison has been employed at the Perquimans County Chamber of Commerce for the past 10 years.

student at College of the Albemarle.

Mrs. Harrison is a member of Hertford United Methodist Church, a member of Hertford Chapter OES No. 137, Perquimans County Restoration Association, and Secretary Perquimans County Democratic Party.

Mrs. Harrison said "If favored with this election, I will endeavor to provide the best and most efficient service of which I am capable to all who have business with the Perquimans County Register of Deeds Office." "Your support will be appreciated."

She is married to John W. Harrison Jr., who is employed by Jackson Wholesale Company of Hertford. They are the parents of two sons, William Harrison who is married to the former Brenda Harrell and they reside in Richmond, Va., and Troy Harrison a

## Winslow To Serve As Page

Buck Winslow, a junior at Chowan Academy will serve as a Governor's Page in the Office of the Governor's Legislative Council during the week of May 3-7.

Buck was notified of his selection by M. Laney Funderburk Jr., Administrative Assistant to the Governor.

While in Raleigh, tours of the capitol, Legislative Building, Executive Man-

sion, and museums will be arranged for him. He will also have a chance to pose for pictures with the Governor.

The Governor's Page Program is an innovation of the Holshouser administration. Unlike Legislative Pages, those who serve in this office do not receive any pay. Mrs. Janice Whitaker, a member of the Governor's staff, coordinates the program.



RECENTLY ELECTED

Mrs. George W. Frierson of Hertford was installed as recording secretary at the Northeastern District Extension Homemakers Association's annual meeting held in Greenville, N.C. on April 8-10. Forty-eight persons attended from Perquimans County. Last year, Mrs. Frierson served as District Public Information Chairman and was subscription person for the National Notes, an Extension magazine for club women all over the United States and many other countries.

## Ms. Chappell Named Outstanding Woman

GREENVILLE — Lu Ann Stallings Chappell, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Lewis Stallings of Perquimans County, was among the 95 women students at East Carolina University recognized as Outstanding Women of 1976 at a special campus ceremony Thursday, April 8. Ms. Chappell was selected from the Business Education and Office Administration department.

The awards were given in conjunction with ECU's annual Women's Awareness Week (April 4-10), and recognized outstanding women of various academic departments and in several athletic fields, as well as ECU's marshals and women nominees to this year's "Who's Who Among Students in American Universities and Colleges."

Women's Awareness Week award recipients included students from 29 North Carolina counties, eight other states and the District of Columbia, and the Republic of China and West Germany.

Among guests at the awards ceremony and a special reception were parents of award recipients and ECU administrative officials.

A special award and cash

prize of \$30 was given to sophomore Renate Weaver Thompson, daughter of Herta Weaver of Fayetteville, winner of a Women's Awareness Week Essay Contest sponsored by the Eastern Carolina Chapter of the National Organization for Women (NOW) and the ECU Women's Residence Council.

Two honorable mention awards and cash prizes of \$10 each were given to senior Anna Marie Finley of Berwyn, Pa. and freshman Linda Ann Kraus of Shippensburg, Pa.

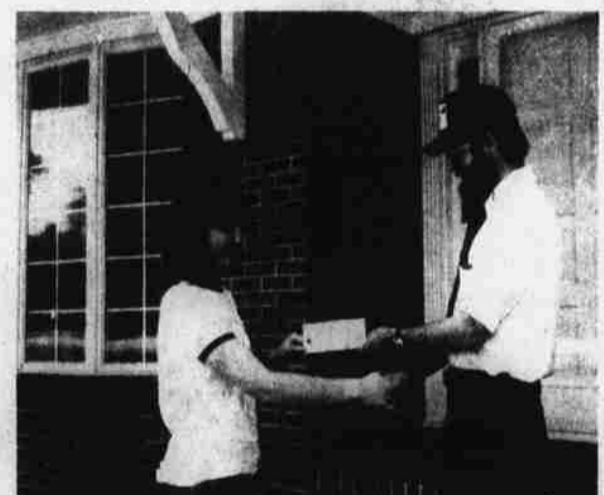
Each contest entrant submitted an original essay on the topic, "How I Feel the Feminist Movement in America Today Will Affect My Life."

Featured speaker at the awards ceremony was Dr. Sandra Thomas, vice president of Student affairs at Meredith College, whose topic was "Beyond the Bicentennial."

Dr. Thomas, a U.S. delegate to the International Women's Year Conference in Mexico City last year, is a recognized authority on the status of women in the U.S. and other nations.

Women's Awareness Week, an annual spring event at East Carolina

University, is observed each year with film presentations, lectures, discussions and art exhibits on the campus.



RECEIVES SAVINGS BOND — Lee Tunnell, chairman of the November Cerebral Palsy Happiness Walk sponsored by the Perquimans County Jaycees, is shown above presenting a \$25 savings bond, acquired from Bank of N.C., to Benita Hollowell. Benita was the Walk-A-Thon participant who was sponsored for the largest amount of money in the walk. She is the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Robert P. Hollowell of Rt. 1, Hertford.



MOST SPONSORS — Keith Byrum (left) receives a \$25 savings bond, donated by Peoples Bank, from Happiness Walk chairman Lee Tunnell. Keith, the son of Mr. and Mrs. Joseph B. Byrum of Bethel, had the most sponsors in the Walk-A-Thon held in November. As a result of the efforts by the local Jaycees and the many Walk-A-Thon participants and sponsors, over \$2000 was donated to the United Cerebral Palsy Fund. (Newbern photos)

## Council Wants To Know

The Perquimans County Council on the Status of Women is currently working on compiling a Directory of Services explaining the many agencies and services

available to women in Perquimans County.

In order to get some input from the residents of Perquimans County, the council

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## COUNTY WINNERS

Two Perquimans County boys were named winners in Friday night judging of an Easter Egg Coloring Contest sponsored by WGAI radio station in Elizabeth City and several Albemarle

businesses. Ricky Dance, age 4, of Hertford received a \$25 savings bond in the boys' 3-6 year old age group. Also in that group was Calvin Hobbs of Rt. 1, Hertford who received a trophy.