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ECU Project Funded

GREENVILLE — An East Carolina University project to implement environmental education in six northeastern North Carolina counties has received \$20,507 in funding under provisions of Title I of the Higher Education Act of 1965.

The project, involving the county school systems of Gates, Hertford, Bertie, Chowan, Martin and Perquimans Counties, is directed by Dr. Carolyn H. Hampton, associate professor of science education at ECU.

According to Dr. Hampton, the project is designed to upgrade the environmental knowledge and skills of teachers of science and social studies at the junior high level, and to assist the teachers in the integration of environmental education in existing curricula.

The project, begun during the past fiscal year, is guided by an environmental education advisory task force consisting of three ECU science education faculty members and a school supervisor, a junior high school principal and a junior high school classroom teacher from each of the six county school units.

The task force will plan curriculum development, in-service training for teachers, workshop sessions and curriculum activities, and help in the evaluation of the project.

Dr. Hampton said the project will involve two basic phases: a curriculum development phase and a staff development phase. She will coordinate all project activities and act as liaison between ECU and the six counties.

Other members of the ECU Department of Science Education faculty who will be working in one or more phases of the project are Carol Hampton, Charles Coble, Robert Dough and James Nicholson.

London Drops Out Of Race

John H. London Jr., a candidate for county commissioner from District I, has announced his resignation from the race. In making the statement, London, pastor at the First Baptist Church in Hertford, said he wished to offer all of his support to Lester Simpson, incumbent for that position.

With London's retiring from the race, the remaining candidates include Simpson, Joe Spruill, and Jean P. Winslow.

District I is made up of the townships of Bethel and Hertford. In the upcoming election, one of the two seats from that district on Board of County Commissioners will be filled.



MARIJUANA RAID — Shown above SBI agent Bill Godley (left) and Perquimans Sheriff Julian Broughton (right) are pictured with approximately 75 pounds of marijuana confiscated in the Beech Springs section of Perquimans County. The raid, by helicopter, began at about 4 p.m. and was concluded around 9 p.m. (Staff photo by Ray Ward)



UP IN SMOKE — Pictured above, the approximately 75 pounds of marijuana is burned by law officials.

Marijuana Discovered By Chopper

The Perquimans County Sheriff's office assisted by the State Bureau of Investigation and the Chowan county Sheriff's Department using a state-owned SBI helicopter conducted a marijuana raid Tuesday after resulting in the arrest of one with further arrests pending.

The search which lasted from approximately 4 to 9 p.m. resulted in the confiscation of approximately 75 pounds of marijuana growing in the Beech Springs section of Perquimans County. A spokesman for the SBI estimated the street value of the plants when cured at \$3,000.

Arrested in connection with the raid was Joy Ann Sadaka, a white female, age 25, who resides at Rt. 2, Hertford. She was charged with manufacturing (growing) marijuana which was a result of the air search by the SBI helicopter. She was also charged on a second count of felonious possession of marijuana, a charge which resulted from a search of her home. Total bond for the two charges was set at \$3,500. Ms. Sadaka is currently in custody at Tri-County jail.

The SBI spokesman added that the raid was a result of information that had been developing over a period of years.

To Attend Institute

Two local school people will participate in the Early Childhood Institute to be held in Murrellsboro. Those attending will be teacher Pam Bunch and aide Connie Everett.

The training institute is designed for school systems in the first educational district and for teachers in grades kindergarten through three.

Grant Awarded

RALEIGH — Perquimans County will be among the thirty-four local governments receiving State grants amounting to \$3 million for water supply improvements, it was announced recently by Phillip J. Kirk Jr., Human Resources Secretary.

The issuance is another in a series of grants made under the North Carolina Clean Water Bond Act of 1971 which authorized \$70 million to local governments to aid in financing the construction of water supply improvements throughout the state. Official distribution of the clean water bonds was approved by the voters in a 1972 referendum.

The new grants, the eighth such group to be dispersed, brings the number of State grants approved to 345 and totals some \$59 million committed for water supply system improvement projects in North Carolina.

Kirk said applications are now being accepted by the Division of Health Services for consideration during the first semi-annual review period of fiscal year 1976-77. Announcement of State grants for this group will be made in January.

The Perquimans County grant will be in the amount of \$130,014.

Bids And Land Use Plan Discussed By Commissioners

Among the business brought before the Monday night meeting of the Perquimans County Board of Commissioners included the opening of bids for three wells to be dug for the county wide water system and notification of the approval by the Coastal Resources Commission of the Perquimans County land use plan.

At precisely 8 p.m., bids were opened for a contract to dig three 300 gallon per minute deep wells in Perquimans County. Layne Atlantic Company of Norfolk, Va. submitted a bid in the total amount of \$82,500. Magette Well & Pump of Ahoskie submitted a bid of \$41,760. In discussion, it was pointed out that the Ahoskie Company had recently drilled four wells for the Chowan County water system and had installed two wells for the Inter-County water system in the

Woodville community making that company familiar with the area. The County Commissioners did not award the contract postponing this action until further discussion could be held.

In other business, Ray Lassiter, representing the newly formed Northeastern North Carolina Electrical Contractors Association, appeared before the board on the matter of obtaining an electrical inspector for the county. Lassiter said, "I am very much interested in seeing Perquimans County get an electrical inspector for the county." He added that members of the association were going before the governing bodies in the ten counties involved concerning this matter. Efforts are first being concentrated on those counties, such as Perquimans, that have no inspectors. Members of the

board suggested working with the Town Council to obtain an inspector for both the town and county. No action will be until the two groups can meet on this matter and possibly approach someone to take on the responsibilities.

The next order of business involved the recently developed local land use plan. Erie Haste Jr., member of the Town Council and the Coastal Resources Commission, spoke before the board. Also attending were Town Council members John Beers, Mattie "Pete" Broughton, Billy Winslow, and Hertford Mayor Bill Cox. Both the town and county had approved the land use plan and then submitted it to the Coastal Resources Commission for approval. Haste told the commissioners that the plan had been approved by the CRC and was described as a

"very fine comprehensive plan" Haste said, "You've got a plan that the community feels reflects what the people of this county want the county to look like five, ten, twenty years from now." The local land use plan was developed from guidelines set forth by the Coastal Resources Commission in compliance with the Coastal Area Management Act. Haste added that the development and approval of the plan is only the beginning. He urged each county commissioner and Town Council member to carefully read the plan and when making decisions to keep in mind what, according to the plan, the people of the county want, and if action would follow the land use plan.

Haste reminded the group that the plan can be changed at anytime and that the Coastal Area Management Act makes it mandatory to

review the plan every five years. It was also announced that Haste has been reappointed for an additional four-year term on the Coastal Resources Commission.

In other business, the board received a report of office expenses from the district attorney-solicitor's office.

Lester Simpson, board chairman, read a letter to the board from Chris Harrell pointing out the need for recreational facilities in Perquimans County. No action was taken.

The County Commissioners also voted to accept a state grant in the amount of \$130,014 for the county water system.

In other correspondence, a letter was read from the Perquimans County Library Board thanking the commissioners for the money allotted for improvement to the local library.

Thirteen School Personnel To Receive Training

Thirteen Perquimans County school personnel will be attending a one-week reading training institute at Northeastern High School July 26-30 from 8 a.m. to 5 p.m. daily. The local school people represent Hertford Grammar School, Perquimans Union School, and Perquimans Central Grammar School.

The institute will offer training to the school personnel as a part of the Title IV-C Adapter Grant for

initiation of a program similar to the Salt Lake City Exemplary Reading Program which has been studied, visited and partially initiated by the local people.

Heading the training institute will be Dr. Edie Adams of Salt Lake City. During the week long session, local personnel will receive practical skill training that can later be implemented to their classroom situations.

Hosts Workshop

College of The Albemarle served as host institution for an Access to Mainstream workshop on July 19-21. The three-day training session for home-bound and special education teachers was conducted at the Technical Center in Elizabeth City.

Jo Ann Foreman, Region R field consultant for the North Carolina Department of Human Resources' Office of Children, coordinated local arrangements for the meeting. Gaynor M. Jordan, Access to Mainstream director, acted as moderator for the

workshop, which was held each day from 9 a.m. until 4 p.m.

Mrs. Foreman explained that Access is a home-based program for children between the ages of birth to four years who have difficulty learning to walk, talk, feed or dress themselves, or play with toys. A teacher-counselor works with the child and his parents for one and a half hour each week. During the at-home visits, special activities or lessons are tailored by the counselor to fit the needs of each child.

Civic Calendar

THURSDAY, JULY 22

Perquimans County Jaycees meet at 8 p.m. at the EMC Building.

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Bethel Ruritan Club meets.

SATURDAY, JULY 24

A dance will be held at the Elizabeth City Shrine Club for Shriners and Guests from 9:30 p.m. to 12:30 a.m. Music will be furnished by Vince Chory and the Squires. Admission is \$5 per couple.

MONDAY, JULY 26

Inter-Co. Ladies Auxiliary will meet.

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Perquimans County Rescue Squad will meet.

TUESDAY, JULY 27

Perquimans Lodge No. 106 will have an Emergent Communication at 8 p.m. at the Lodge Hall for the purpose of voting on By-Laws. There will be no other meetings in July and August.

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Hertford Rotary Club will meet.

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Belvidere Homemakers will meet.



ARTIST AND HIS PARENTS — Shown above Troy Harrison (right) and his parents Mr. and Mrs. John Harrison (left) look over Troy's art

work which is on display at the Perquimans County Library through July 22.



ARTIST'S RECEPTION — A reception was held July 15 to open the art display by Harrison. Shown above the artist shows his work to Mrs. Seymour Chappell of Rt. 4, Hertford. The art displays are continuing throughout the summer and are being sponsored by the Perquimans County Arts Council under the supervision of

Danny Meads, president. Harrison is an art major attending College of the Albemarle and plans to continue his art studies at East Carolina University. Several of his pieces are for sale and are marked as such. The display can be viewed during library hours. (Newbern photos)

National Farm Safety Week July 25-31