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Participation Is Planned

The following Albemarle Academy elementary students have been chosen to represent the academy in the Virginia Academics Elementary Forensic Meet to be held at Brunswick Academy: in the area of public speaking — Donna Frazier and Eric Grossman (5th grade), Sarah Benton (8th grade), Donna Winslow and Van Booth (7th grade); in the area of prose reading — Melody Jones and Patrick Cline (5th grade), Hope Hinton and Kent Winslow (6th grade), Patsy Liverman (7th grade); and in the area of poetry reading — Amy Hastings and Chris Banks (5th grade), Dawn Elliott and Ray Meads (6th grade), Michele White and Neal Cartwright (7th grade).

In the area of dramatic monologue, the following will represent the academy: Gretchen Spivey and Sonny Larabee (5th grade), Susan Temple and Sean Robey (6th grade); in the area of spelling — Lori Anne Harrell (5th grade), Denise

Banks and Mark Johnston (6th grade), and Don Lee Keaton (7th grade). In addition to these scheduled events, the academy will have representatives competing in the fine arts divisions in art, creative writing and handwriting to be held late in April. In the art division of fine arts competition, some 25 classes of work may be submitted ranging from textile works to sculptured productions.

While individual awards and trophies are given to students, the intent of each school involved is to compete for one of five memorial trophies presented by the Association of Virginia Academics: the Robert B. Crawford Memorial, the B. Blanton Hanbury Memorial, the Ray R. Pearson Memorial, the James N. Savedge Jr. Memorial and the J. Barry Wall Jr. Memorial. In each case the memorial honors the contribution of a citizen to the cause of education.



MUSEUM ON WHEELS — The North Carolina Mobile Museum of History is currently featuring an exhibit entitled, "Celebration, 1776-1976." Perquimans

residents will have the opportunity to visit the museum on wheels when it is featured at the Museum of the Albemarle in Elizabeth City May 14-17.

Mobile Museum To Visit Albemarle Area In May

The North Carolina Mobile Museum of History will be in Elizabeth City on May 14 and will be open to visitors through May 17. Featuring a Bicentennial exhibit entitled, "Celebration, 1776-1976," the Mobile Museum is an extension service of the Museum of History in Raleigh. While in Elizabeth City it will be parked at the Museum of the Albemarle. There will be no charge for admission.

Since the Mobile Museum of History's beginning in 1963 as a centenary celebration project, there have been exhibits illustrating: "The First One Hundred Years in North Carolina," "North Carolina and the Civil War," "Rural Life in Early North Carolina, 1820-1860," "A Whole New World, 1880-1910," "The Story of Archaeology," and the current exhibit.

The exhibit is housed in a self-contained tractor-trailer unit which visitors enter and exit through sliding glass doors. Since the exhibit area is small, no more than 15 visitors can comfortably view the displays at one time.

"Celebration, 1776-1976" highlights why North Carolinians and all Americans commemorate the nation's birthday, the day in 1776 when the President of the Continental Congress signed the Declaration of Independence formally announcing the American colonies free of British rule.

Some of the displays in the exhibit include: The Moravian Independence Day — the first documented Independence Day celebration in North Carolina and one of the first in America; the three North Carolina signers of the Declaration — Joseph Hews, John Penn, and William Hooper; reproduction documents of freedom — the Halifax and Mecklenburg Resolves and the North Carolina Constitution. Authentic Revolutionary War weapons and other artifacts are displayed as well.

Also included is a display on the American Centennial of 1876 illustrated with souvenir artifacts from the Philadelphia Exposition and pictures. Visitors will also

discover what native North Carolinian headed up and was president of that great celebration.

An authentic smaller replica of the Philadelphia Liberty Bell, a gift from McDonald's Restaurants in North Carolina, is also featured.

Another feature of the Mobile Museum is Richard Wagner's "Centennial March" on tape along with an audiovisual slide presentation on why and how Americans celebrate the Fourth of July.

A visit to the North Carolina Mobile Museum of History, which will be located at the Museum of the Albemarle May 14-17, will allow for continued celebration of this nation's 200 years of freedom.

Phone Companies Testify

ELIZABETH CITY — The nation's independent telephone companies returned to Congress in March to testify at Senate hearings on an issue which the telephone industry considers a major threat to the low cost basic phone service now being provided to consumers.

"Hearings on the future of telecommunications, including the impact of Federal Communications Commission policies fostering so-called competition, were set by the Senate communications subcommittee

in late March," Terry F. Daniels, Vice-President, Norfolk Carolina Telephone Company, said.

Wilson B. Garnett, President of the U.S. Independent Telephone Association, testified March 28 on behalf of Independent phone companies and customers. Other witnesses included Paul H. Henson, Chairman of United Telecommunications, Inc., one of the largest non-Bell System holding companies, and R.G. Nehring, President of Arizona Telephone Company, a small company serving less than 1,000 phones.

USITA is a national trade group which represents the interests of the 1,600 non-Bell System companies.

Independent (non-Bell) telephone companies serve over 28 million telephones in more than half of the nation's "telephone territory," and Norfolk Carolina Telephone Company serves approximately 53,324 in northeastern North Carolina and southeastern Virginia.

The Senate testimony follows three days of House hearing last September into the issue of so-called competition in communications.

The industry states that recent decisions by the Federal Communications Commission will cause higher rates for residential and small business users, and therefore are not in the public interest. The FCC has permitted customers to own their own telephone equipment, and has allowed non-telephone companies to provide intercity communications services to business firms.

"Last year the whole telephone industry supported the principles behind the Consumer Communications Reform Act, which nearly 200 Representatives and Senators co-sponsored, to encourage Congress to review national communications policy, Daniels said. "The same legislation

District Educators To Hold Meeting

RALEIGH — School board members and educational officials from nine northeastern North Carolina school systems will gather on Wednesday, April 20 for the annual meeting of District 1 of the North Carolina School Boards Association.

According to Ashby Tarkington, Superintendent of the Gates County Schools, who will host the annual event, the meeting will begin at 4 p.m. and will be held at the Sunbury School.

Harlan Boyles, State Treasurer of North Carolina, will speak at the banquet session of the meeting, set to begin at about 6:20 p.m. Prior to the banquet a

series of presentations and discussions are planned, focusing on issues of interest to the participants.

Among those issues to be discussed will be implementation of the 1975 School Budget and Fiscal Control Act, current legislation in the North Carolina General Assembly and the report of the "Renfrow" Commission of Recodification of the Public School Laws.

District 1 of the North Carolina School Boards Association includes school systems in Bertie, Camden, Chowan, Currituck, Dare, Gates, Hertford, Pasquotank and Perquimans counties.



TO SPEAK — Harlan Boyles, State Treasurer, will be the featured speaker when educators in District 1 meet April 20 in Sunbury. Perquimans County will be among those represented.

Joins Va. Association

In a move calculated to enhance the academic program at Albemarle Academy, the Board of Directors recently announced that the academy has joined the prestigious Association of Virginia Academics. The decision of affiliate with the A.V.A. for the pursuit of various academic programs came after James T. Davidson, president of the association, contacted Board President Calvin Chappell and the Chairman of the Curriculum Committee, Attorney E. Ray Etheridge, to confirm that a vote of A.V.A. members had supported the academy's application.

Explaining the reasons for the academy's move, Headmaster Donald J. Parrotte said, "Our geographic location enables us to enjoy the advantages of participating in both the A.V.A., a group which emphasizes academic pursuits, and in the Tarheel

Independent Conference, a North Carolina association emphasizing athletics. Unfortunately, an overzealous effort at maintaining the local control concept has prevented North Carolina's private schools from establishing such an academically-oriented association."

Among the programs and services offered by the association are a clearing house for available teaching personnel, an inter-library loan program for books and audio-visual aids in conjunction with the Gilmer Audio Visual Center, a well-organized teachers' association, and an in-service training conference for member schools.

Further, the association sponsors annual Forensic competition, encompassing the areas of spelling, speaking, monologue, poetry reading, prose reading, creative writing, handwriting, yearbook and newspaper, art competitions, a one-act drama festival, music competitions and science fair activities for grades one through 12.

Among the more prominent Virginia academies who presently participate in the A.V.A. are Isle of Wight Academy, Kenston Forest School, Blackstone Day School, Kenbridge Academy, and Woodlawn Academy.

VOLUNTEER WEEK

This year the State of North Carolina and those of the National level are planning to celebrate Volunteer Week at the same time. April 24-30 is the time for Volunteer recognition, appreciation, parties and other activities to celebrate the spirit and energy of our 4-H leaders.

Again this year the North Carolina Office of Citizen Participation is planning to recognize four volunteers of the year at a Recognition Event in Raleigh. Forms are available at the Home Economics Extension Office from Mrs. M.B. Taylor, Home Economics Extension Agent. Telephone: 426-7697.

Civic Calendar

MONDAY, APRIL 18
The Perquimans County Board of Commissioners will meet in regular session at 7:30 p.m.

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The Marching Unit Parents' Club meets.
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The Memory Lane Senior Citizens' Club will meet at the Holiday Inn in Elizabeth City at 11:30 a.m. for a luncheon.

TUESDAY, APRIL 19
Hertford Rotary Club meets.
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The Belvidere-Chappell Hill Fire Department Ladies Auxiliary will meet.

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A meeting of Perquimans Masonic Lodge is planned.
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The Snow Hill Whitehat Homemakers Club will meet at 7:30 p.m.

WEDNESDAY, APRIL 20
The Durants Neck Ruritan Club meets.
THURSDAY, APRIL 21
The Hertford BPW Club meets.

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The Hertford Lions Club will meet.
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The Hertford Fire Department meets.
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The Helen Gaither Home Extension Club will meet at 8 p.m.

Allocation Announced

RALEIGH — The North Carolina Board of Transportation has allocated nearly \$6.1 million for repairs to primary, secondary and urban roads across the state damaged by this year's severe winter weather conditions.

Roads in Perquimans received an estimated damage of \$12,000 and the county's winter damage allocation totaled \$2,111.

The funds had been previously earmarked for "emergencies, unforeseen events and public access roads" and held in "reserve" as maintenance contingency funds for the State Primary System and the State Secondary System.

The Board, at its April meeting, allocated \$2.4 million of these available funds for repairs to winter damage to the Primary System; \$3 million to repair damage to the Secondary System; and \$37,510 to repair winter damage to roadways on the Urban System. The Perquimans County allocation fell under the division of the Secondary System.

Lecture Scheduled

The Agricultural Extension Service of Perquimans County will sponsor Furniture Refinishing by Frank Broadnax of Athens, Ga. on Wednesday, April 20 from 2 to 4 p.m. at the Perquimans County Office Building in Hertford.

Broadnax, antique refinisher and restorer, will conduct a program showing how to remove cigarette

burns, water rings, surface scratches and the new one-step method of restoring old finishes on furniture. Also, he will show how to fill dents and mars easily and simply, how to stain and finish woods to get a hand-rubbed finish, and what polishes to use and not to use.

All citizens are invited to attend this free demonstration and lecture on April 20.

Library Update

By WAYNE HENRITZE

Story Hour

The library's usual story hour for preschoolers will be held Friday morning from 10-11 a.m. Children 3 to 5 years old are invited.

Memorials

The following memorial books have been placed in the library recently: *Farm Tools* in memory of Adrien Smith Jr., *Great American Shooting Prints* in memory of Rolac Webb and *The Living Earth* in memory of Mrs. Idilia M. Lilley.

New Books

The Masada Plan by Leonard Harris tells a story of what might happen if Israel ever loses a war.

Running the Good Race by Anita Bryant and Bob Green is a Christian family's guide to health and fitness.

The Trail of Tears by Gloria Jahoda tells the true story of the American Indian removals and forced migrations.

Regina by Clare Darcy is a novel of regency England and a young widow.

Felicia by George Alec Effinger is a novel about murder set in a Louisiana bayou during a hurricane.

Innocent Bystander by George Bagby is a mystery about nearly murdered people who deny anything happened.

Wraths of Time by Andre Norton is an occult science fiction novel about an archaeologist taken back in time.

A Dangerous Funeral by Mary McMullen is a mystery about wealth, inheritance, and murder.

Front, Film, Inspector Ghote by H.R. Keating is a mystery about murder in India's film industry.

Overboard by Hank Searls is a yachting story of a husband's search when his wife is swept overboard.

The Face of Battle by John Keegan is a study of why soldiers will face death in combat.

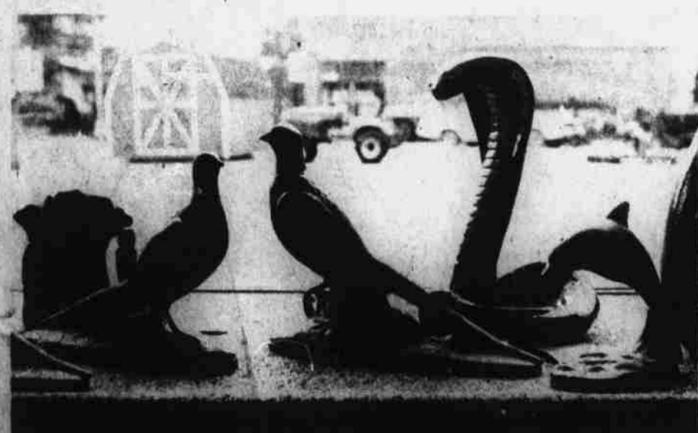
The Natural Superiority of Southern Politicians by David Chandler studies the disproportionate impact of southerners in the nation's history.

Books From Writer to Reader by Howard Greenfield tells you everything you ever wanted to know about publishing and printing.

Franklin D. Roosevelt Wild Photo by Bradford Angier is a well illustrated guidebook on that subject.



TO BE FEATURED — Melissa Lewis, who is often billed as Little Miss Country Music, will be featured when the Lewis & Clark Expedition puts on a country and western show at Perquimans High School auditorium on Saturday night, April 15. Show time is 7:30 p.m. Tickets are \$1 for children, \$1.50 for teens, \$3 for adults, or \$5 for adult couples. The proceeds from the show will benefit the Hertford American Legion. Miss Lewis and the group recently performed on The Johnny Cash Show at Hampton Coliseum having been the winners of a talent search by WCMS radio.



OUTSTANDING WORK RECOGNIZED — Pictured above are a few ceramic pieces on display at J-Dees Ceramics & Gifts in Hertford that recently won rib-

bons in a Richmond, Va. show. A feature story including additional pictures appears on page eight in this issue. (Newbern photo)