

Milling around downtown was the thing to do Friday as the Third Annual Indian Summer Festival got underway. Special

sidewalk sale prices seemed to have caught the eye of these browsers on Church Street.



Arts and crafts were in abundance at Missing Mill Park on Saturday during the Indian Summer Festival. These works by

Kay Hoggard of Colerain were among many examples of creative work on display.



The festival drew craftsmen, artists and entertainers from throughout the region into Hertford over the week-end for two days of fun sponsored by the Perquimans County Chamber of Commerce.

By JANE WILLIAMS

Warm, sunny weather

The festival had originally been planned for September 14 and 15, but those dates were abandoned when a heavy downpour of rain drenched the county on Friday, the 14th.

Festival planners spent most of the week-end, along with a good portion of the next week, rescheduling events to insure the success of the annual event.

Friday saw residents and visitors ready for a "day on the town" as they thronged into Hertford for "Heritage Day," which featured an old-timey atmosphere and an old-fashioned sidewalk sale sponsored by the Chamber's Merchant Committee.

John Christensen, Chairman of the local Merchants commented that his overall feelings on the festival were "very positive."

"The addition of the sidewalk cafe, more music, and the closing of Church Street were nice features," Christensen said. "It seems to make the atmosphere more festive."

Christensen added that although he had not had the opportunity to talk with all of the merchants, most of those he had spoken with expressed that they had experienced a good day.

Along with old fashioned bargains, festival goers were treated to entertainment and good food throughout the day on the courthouse green.

Friday's activities came to a close with a fish fry at Missing Mill Park.

Saturday, which was billed as "Fun Day" provided just that to those who attended the various activities that were staged at Missing Mill Park.

The day got underway with a 5-K run originating at Hertford Grammar School. The run was sponsored by the Perquimans County Parks and Recreation Department.

Art and craft displays dotted the landscape of the park, along with food booths that offered a wide array of treats for hungry appetites.

Children, many with faces painted as Indians, got into the spirit of the day with face painting, train rides, games, etc. to keep them busy while their parents enjoyed a day on the

Entertainment was among the top features of the day as many popular area groups performed from morning until night, ending with a street dance Saturday night with music by East Coast Country.

In summing up the week-end's events, Chamber of Commerce President Shirley Perry said, 'Overall, I'm very pleased with the festival. We were concerned when the festival had to be postponed, but we gained some booths when we moved up to the new date."

"We were especially pleased with Saturday's turnout," Mrs. Perry added; "Friday was a little slow getting started, but the crowd picked up a little later in the morning."

Mrs. Perry said that she had heard nothing but favorable comments regarding this years festival, and added that the festival was larger than last

Mrs. Perry commented that utilizing the park for Saturday's activities was a plus, offering plenty of room for booths, childrens activities and entertainment, giving the family a place that they could all be at one time for an enjoyable day.



The Flatland Cloggers were among a host of entertainers at the Indian Summer Festival last

week-end in Hertford. Offering a square dance show, the Cloggers added entertainment to the festival.

clown? High D the clown unique form of made a special appearance at the Indian

PHOTOS BY KEN CASTELLOE

County Board of Education accepts bid

By JANE WILLIAMS

After several delays in receiving bids, the Perquimans County Board of Education voted this month to accept a bid, in the amount of \$28,500.00, from Henry Baker Company of Wilson, N.C. for the mechanical work to

install a new heating and air conditioning system at Perquimans County High School.

Discussion of goals and plans for the school system, along with reviews of other actions, dominated much of Board's meeting time in September, with

Commemoration set

The Perquimans County Committee for America's Four Hundredth Anniversary and the Perquimans County Restoration Association have issued an invitation to all area residents to attend, a Commemoration of northern Carolina's Seventeenth Century Courts.

The commemoration is planned for Friday, October 12, at the Newbold-White House and will be presided over by Judge Naomi E. Morris, Chief Judge, N. C. Court of Appeals (Retired).

The event will honor Joseph Branch, Chief Justice of the N. C. Supreme Court.

A buffet luncheon will be served at Angler's Cove Restaurant immediatly following the ceremony at a cost of \$5.00 per person.

Reservations are necessary for the luncheon and may be obtained by calling 426-5560 or by writing P. O. Box 103 Hertford, N. C. 27944.

The rain site for the event is the Perquimans County High School.

The public is invited to participate in the activities. No invitations are being mailed

Advance deficiency payments available

Secretary of Agriculture John R. Block said farmers that participate in the 1985 feed grain, cotton and rice programs announced recently and the 1985 wheat program announced June 14 will be eligible for advance deficiency payments.

At the time they sign up, producers may request 50 percent of their projected 1985 deficiency payment and 50 percent of land diversion payments in those programs where land diversion payments are provided. Signup for all programs will be October 15 rough March 1.

USDA estimates the wheat deficiency payment rate at \$1.08 per bushel and has established the wheat land diversion payment at \$2.70 per bushel. The advance deficiency and diversion payments will be half these rates. Details for the feed grain, cotton and rice programs are being provided in separate announcements.

A producer who accepts an advance payment, but who later does not comply with program provisions, must refund the amount of the advance payment with interest plus liquidated

school policy and curriculum receiving major attention from the Board.

The Board discussed goals that had been set for the 1984-85 academic year for classroom observation by Board of Education employees and school principals, and discussed looking at ways to recognize a demonstrated effort by teachers toward the system's theme of "Committed to caring, sharing, and learning."

The Board approved a revised promotion retention policy and a revised discipline policy. A copy of the revised policies are available at the Board of Education office, or at the schools.

Early in the month, the Board was notified that the State had reversed its decision concerning buses entering Holiday Island to pick up children. The state informed the Board that buses could enter the resort community to load and unload students at the Island Clubhouse under the following conditions: (a) The local school board, or the state are not liable, (b) the state will not have responsibility for road repair.

Buses began the new route last week.

In other action taken during September the Board:

 Approved the employment of the following persons for the 1984-85 school year:

Peggy Boyce, Elementary teacher; Maureen Pasternak, Elementary teacher; Alma Burke, School Food Service; Mary Ralph, Hertford Grammar School; Christine Barber, Perquimans High School Academically gifted; and Andrell Henry, speech.

*Approved the student release of Dorothy Nicole Stokely to the Elizabeth City — Pasquotank Schools, and Kyle Speller to the Edenton — Chowan Schools.

·Approved the acceptance of the following students:

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Summer Festival on

Saturday to greet the

kiddies (and some adults,

Renee' and Willie Lane, James Michael Luszcz, Amy Long, and Dawn Duncan.

·Approved a request for Renesha White to attend the Perquimans County Schools while living with Mary Billups, adult supervisor.

 Approved a substitute teacher list for the 1984-85 school year comprised of individuals who attended a substitute teacher workshop.



LITTER CLEAN-UP -Belvidere 4-H'ers got involved in the statewide Litter Clean-up campaign last week, when they spent the day, Saturday, cleaning up Belvidere,

Winfall and portions of Hertford. The group, under the leadership of Doug and Jerri Layden, range in age from 6 to 16. Anne Young, an advisory member of the North

Carolina State Youth Council, suggested the project to the group, who are working on a scrapbook for 4-H State Competition. (Photo by Ken Castelloe)