LOCAL NEWS

## Local tot claims trophy

Michelle Denise Nixon claimed a trophy for the prettiest eyes in the 1985 North Carolina America Miss Charm Pageant.

Michelle, the daughter of Billy and Margie Nixon of Hertford, was one of the two and three-year-old Tiny Tots competing in the pagenat on July 6 at Meredith College in Raleigh.

Michelle claimed a second trophy when she placed as a finalist in the competition. In additon to the trophies she was awarded a crown and a banner.

Michelle, who was sponsored by Larry's Drive In, resides with her family on Gaston Drive in Hertford.



MICHELLE NIXON

## Childbirth fair set for August

Albemarle Hospital is planning a special baby celebration for expectant couples, new parents, their families and friends. The event, The Childbirth Fair, is a new concept for the Albemarle area. It will be held on Saturday August 17 from 10 a.m. until 3:30 p.m. in the A.H.E.C. classrooms of the hospital.

The fair will feature teaching of newborn care, an overview of labor and delivery, and information about special needs like sibling jealousy and high-risk pregnancy. The purpose of the event is to help new families wade through the maze of new information childbirth in the

80's faces them with.

What should you look for in a car seat for a baby? How do you work it once you buy it? What are the benefits of various formulas as opposed to nursing babies? What kind of items do you really need for baby's layette? Why is childbirth class a good idea? What is Big Brother and Sister Class about?

All of these questions and more will be answered at the Childbirth Fair which will feature booths on all of those topics. Other booths will feature ideas for infant stimulation, exercises for the expectant and newly delivered mom, and crib and toy safety.

Product samples will be available to new and expectant mothers. Giveaways, such as balloons, are planned for brothers and sisters. During th early hours of the fair, free stresstests will be offered to moms near deliver date. These tests check baby's well being.

A repeat of the fair is being planned for late winter in Dare County. Anyone intersted in participating or finding out more about either event is asked to call the public relations office of Albemarle Hospital at 335-0531 extension 308.

The fair is free. No registration is required. Signs and balloons will direct visitors to the classrooms from the hospital driveway on August 17. Mark your calendar now for the baby event of the season!

# Law mandates that Day Care agencies must obtain license

With summer in full swing and children out of school for several more weeks, parents may find themselves searching frantically for child care. Other individuals may be providing child care on a temporary or permanent basis, perhaps for the first time.

What many of them may not know is that, by law, anyone providing day care for more than one child must either be registered with, or licensed by, the N.C. Office of Child Day Care Licensing.

In 1971, the N.C. General Assembly enacted a law which requires licensing of day-care facilities under minimum standards. It also requires registration of day-care plans too small to be regulated through licensing.

The purpose of the law is to protect the growing number of children who are cared by by persons other than their parents, grandparents, guardians or full-time custodians during the day or night.

A "day-care plan" includes any day-care program or childcare arrangement in which any person provides day care for more than one child and fewer than six children at any one time, wherever operated and whether or not operated for profit.

The school-age children of the plan operator or provider are not included in the number, but preschool-age children must be

counted. The person who is registered must be the individual who is actually providing care on site for the children.

During the school year, a daycare plan operator may provide after-school care for up to three additional children, who are school-age, for up to four afterschool hours per day.

There is no fee for registering a day-care plan. Not registering, exceeding the limit of children being cared for, or violating any other requirement for registered plans is a misdemeanor punishable by a fine not to exceed \$50, imprisonment for not more than 30 days, or both. Registered day-care plans

may receive educational services through the Office of Child Day Care Licensing.

The registration system helps to identify day-care plans and to provide an accurate count of children placed in day-care resources.

If you are providing day care and are not registered, call or write the Office of Child Day Car Licensing, 1919 Blue Ridge Road, Raleigh, N.C. 27607, (919) 733-4801. Registration must be

renewed every two years. The Office of Child Day Care Licensing exists to protect children in day care and to assist day-care opeators in providing the best care possible for youngsters.

### Summer menus

The following is a list of me-Wednesday-ham and cheese nus for the Summer Feeding' Program for Children for the week of July 22 through July 26.

Monday-chicken pattie with bun, corn on cob, potato tots, milk.

Tuesday-hot dog with chili and roll, potato wedges, green peas, milk.

## Correction

Carla Dail Spruill's name was omitted from those attending the Fletcher S. Dail Family Reunion held at Missing Mill Park,

with bun, grape juice, shoestring fries, milk.

Thursday-sausage biscuit, sliced apples, green beans, milk.

Friday-hamburger with bun, french potato wedges, vegetable cup, milk.

Hertford on June 30.

Carla is the granddaughter of Mrs. Isa Mae Dail, oldest member in attendance.

#### NOTICE OF BIDS FOR HOUSING REHABILITATION WORK TOWN OF HERTFORD

Notice is hereby given that bid packages may be obtained on or after Thursday, July 18, 1985, during normal office hours at the Hertford Town Hall for the rehabilitation of approximately four (4) dwelling units.

Bids will be received and opened on Wednesday, July 31, 1985, at 3:00 P.M. at the Hertford Town Hall. This work is funded through the State of North Carolina, FY 1983, Small Cities Community Development Block Grant Program.

The Town of Hertford is an Equal Opportunity Employer and encourages bidding by Small and Minority Contractors. Inquires should be directed to the Town of Hertford at 426-5311.

## contest winners

**NNCT**names photo

Northeastern North Carolina Murfreesboro Tomorrow, Inc. (NNCT) announced today the winners of its first annual amateur photography contest. Over 60 photographs were submitted from ington residents in the 16-county region.

The photographs are part of a display called "Reflections."

color and black-and-white categories. Awards were given to first, second and thrid place for each category.

The winners for color are:

1st Place-Lloyd Reese, Elizabeth City

2nd Place-Tonda Pruitt, Kill **Devil Hills** 

3rd Place-Frank Stephenson,

The winners for black-andwhite are:

1st Place-Don Corlett, Bath 2nd Place-R.A. Coats, Wash-

3rd Place-Diane Carolyn, **Kitty Hawk** 

The photos will be on display until August 4 at the Museum of The contest was divided into the Albemarle. Admission to the museum is free.



Some historians say that the orig nal Olympics winners were awa ed the kingdom as their prize.



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