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Festival to open Friday

Plans culminate for fourth Indian Summer Festival

By JANE B. WILLIAMS
A week-end extravaganza with offerings of fun, entertainment, crafts and a wide array of culinary delights is about to unfold after months of planning by local citizenry involved in the production of the fourth annual Indian Summer Festival in Perquimans County.



The two-day event, sponsored by the Perquimans County Chamber of Commerce, will begin on Friday in Hertford, offering a nostalgic glimpse into the past as colonial day is observed in the township.

Donning colonial garb community merchants will assemble their wares on the streets of the city during a day-long "Old Fashion Sidewalk Sale." featur-

ing old timey bargains in an atmosphere reminiscent of days gone by.

Music and dance on the courthouse lawn will provide entertainment for festival goers, with an afternoon fashion show sponsored by local merchants and a BMX Bike Trick team adding to the day's highlights.

Luncheon fare will be offered at a sidewalk cafe from 11:00 a.m. until 2:00 p.m. in front of the county's courthouse, featuring hamburgers, hot dogs, and ice cream.

Strolling through the town, festival goers will have an opportunity to view historical window displays lining the city's streets, or visit with McGruff the Crime Dog.

There will also be a wildlife display provided by the Great Dismal Swamp National Wildlife Refuge and a satellite dish will be on display.

Portraits in charcoals and pastels will be offered by Meta Visions to capture the festive spirits of those attending the event.

Contests and drawings for prizes will add to the festive air, as merchants in the community offer prizes throughout the day; and Coca Cola sponsors a scavenger hunt downtown.

A papoose contest sponsored by the Perquimans County Senior Citizens Center will give the chance to vote for your favorite

baby during the festival.

Highlighting the entertainment will be performances by Kevin Roughton and Eric Holt playing "Country, Rhythm, and Blues," the Perquimans County High School Band, Steppin' Out Dance Studios.

Winding down the day will be a fish fry at Missing Mill Park from 5:00 p.m. until 7:00 p.m. Plates available on a first come first served basis. J.J. Harris of Elizabeth City will entertain during the evening with an organ recital.

The day will end at 8:00 p.m. at Memorial Field behind Perquimans County High School when arch rivals the Perquimans Pirates VS. the Edenton Aces in the Pirates first home game.

Early Christmas Shoppers will be dazzled on Saturday when the festival opens at Missing Mill Park with more than 60 booths of displays, arts, crafts, and food.

Among this year's various offerings will be handcrafted items imported from Africa and the Caribbean, handmade stone-ware and pottery, folk art, antique crocks, stufed animals, woodcrafted items, needlecrafts, ceramics, porcelain dolls, lamps, Christmas ornaments, handcrafted lollipops, doll furnishings and much, much more.

Meta Visions will return on Saturday with portrait offerings, a unique chance to capture the

entire family in the artist's medium.

Displays will include an ROTC vessel, a Coast Guard helicopter, antiques, health care information, real estate information, season-color analysis, and more.

Entertainment can be found for the participant and the observer, with a 5-K run slated for those of the running persuasion; and a display of strength when participants divide up into teams for the festival's first Tug-Of-War contest.

Bands, dancers, and a ski-show will provide entertainment throughout the day adding a relaxed mood to the affair. Among the entertainers will be 100 Proof Band, the Flatland Cloggers, Miss N.C. Teen Charm, the Atlantic Fleet Band and Ghost Chasers, a square dance group.

Children will enjoy a train ride, available from 10:00 until 2:00, and an opportunity to enter the "Moon-Walk."

Loads of good food will be available throughout the day at various concession booths operated by merchants and civic or-

ganizations, and ending the day's feasting will be a Pig Picking.

Working off the calorie intake will be a pleasure as festival participants dance the night away to the sounds of "Southern Fury" during an evening street dance

from 8:00 p.m. until midnight.

Round up your family and friends and make plans to be in Hertford this week-end for two-days of carefree fun in celebration of the good life in Perquimans County.



With offerings from cotton candy to soft-shell crabs even the most discriminating taste buds will be sated during the fourth annual Indian Summer Festival sponsored by the Perquimans County Chamber of Commerce.

Wainwright to be honored

Irving H. Wainwright, retired president of Interstate Fire Insurance Company, Richmond, Virginia, will be signally honored during Perquimans County Heritage Days, September 21 and 22, when the Perquimans County Restoration Association, the Perquimans County Four Hundredth Anniversary Committee, and Holy Trinity Episcopal Church will join in a commemoration of Perquimans County's significant past.

Mr. Wainwright will be the guest of honor at a noontime luncheon on September 21 at Angler's Cove. The Honorable Patric Dorsey, Secretary of the North Carolina Department of Cultural Resources, and Representative Vernon James will share the platform as speakers for the occasion. Following the luncheon festivities, the group will go to the David Newby Cottage at the Newbold-White site for an important dedication of the Carolina Coastal Cottage (ca 1820) to the memory of Harriet Frances Mardre Wainwright.

Mrs. Wainwright was a native of Hertford, in Perquimans County, and before her death in 1973, the Wainwrights had become interested in tracing her family history. This led them to Hertford, and the discovery of the important work of restoring

the Newbold-White House (ca 1685), as the oldest house in North Carolina. Furthermore, the Perquimans Restoration archivist, Raymond A. Winslow, Jr., discovered that Harriet Frances Mardre was a descendant of Abraham Saunders who bought the house in 1726.

After the Newbold-White restoration was completed and opened to the public in 1981, it soon became apparent that the site could never be properly interpreted and maintained, without a resident program director. The David Newby Cottage was moved to the site and restoration begun on it. Financial records show that when funds were desperately needed from time to time to keep both projects alive, Irving H. Wainwright gave generous contributions.

Irving H. Wainwright is a native of Yorktown, Virginia, where the preservation of the proud heritage of the past is a way of life. He is a graduate of that revered institution, the University of Virginia. His business life has been spent in Richmond, Virginia, a city noted for the pride in its culture. Perquimans County is proud to have Irving Hudgins Wainwright as an honorary citizen. His dedication to family and history will be remembered here as long as the Newbold-White House and the David Newby Cottage stand.

Following the cottage dedication, Raymond A. Winslow, Jr., President of the Perquimans County Historical Society, and Archivist of the Perquimans Restoration Association will present a portrait of an early relative of David Newby, to be hung in a prominent place in the cottage. The North Carolina Chapter Colonial Dames XVII Century will present three additional items for the Newbold-White House. They have already presented a seventeenth century settle, three English Delft bowls, and a seventeenth century Kazan prayer rug. The presentation will be made by Mrs. E.M. Todd, immediate past president, NC CDX-VII Century, and Mrs. Walter Spaeth, third vice-president general, National Society CDXVII Century.

The public is invited and urged to take part in all events. The luncheon at Angler's Cove is \$7.50 per person. Secretary Dorsey will be making her first visit to the county, and will bring a timely message at this time when a new program director is being installed at the Newbold-White site. First District Representative Vernon James, who is directly responsible for getting the funds for this new program, will also be on the program. Refreshments will be served by the Four Hundredth Anniversary Committee and the Newbold-White docents at the conclusion of the exercises.

Perquimans Heritage Days, 1985, will continue on Sunday, September 22, with religious services at Holy Trinity Episcopal Church, Hertford, commemorating America's Four Hundredth Anniversary. There will be two services, one at eleven o'clock a.m., to be followed by a covered dish luncheon, and an Evensong. The Right Reverend B. Sidney Sanders, D.D., Bishop of the Episcopal Diocese of East Carolina, will preside at both services. The public is invited to take part in both observances.



Multitudes of arts and crafts will be on display this week-end as the fourth annual Indian Summer Festival gets

underway in Hertford. Many favored items that have been featured in years past will be available to festival goers for

purchase once again at this year's event. (Perquimans Weekly file photo.)

Band selected to participate

By SUSAN HARRIS
The announcement of an invitation extended to the Perquimans County High School Marching Pirates was submitted to the Perquimans County Board of Education last Tuesday night by Superintendent of Schools, Pat Harrell. The band was one of three bands in the state that have been invited to participate in the Ninth Annual Invitational Awards Festival in Florida this spring.

A price tag of \$16,000 has been estimated to send the 80-member unit along with 20 chaperones to the festivities. The sum includes room, board and transportation. The Board endorsed fund-raising activities for the Band Boosters Club, and expressed pride in the students for the job the group has done representing the county.

The Board authorized giving notice to proceed to the four prime contractors involved in the high school construction-renovation project. Architect Sam Ashford announced that Farmers Home Administration had sched-

uled a pre-construction conference on Friday, September 6 in Williamston. Work should begin on the project soon thereafter.

Harrell told the Board that all except one of the poles for the high school athletic field lighting project were delivered. According to Harrell, the total weight of the eight poles was 84,000 pounds, 4,000 pounds over the delivery truck's poundage limit. Delivery of the eight pole is expected today.

Work schedules permitting, the PCHS Pirates should play their first home game, a non-conference match with the John A. Holmes Aces of Edenton under the new lighting system this Friday night.

Harrell informed the Board of a state-mandated Beginning Teacher Program. All teachers with less than two year's experience teaching in North Carolina would be required to participate. Under the plan, teachers would receive a temporary certificate after graduation and passing the state teacher's exam. Then they would

be assigned a mentor teacher, or a support team, with whom to work. After satisfactory completion of the two-year period, a full teaching certificate would be awarded.

Assistant Schools' Superintendent Shelton Davis told the Board that the Union School Flood Control and Drainage Project is ahead of schedule. Davis said that the main drainage lines are in, and the work scheduled for the perimeter of the building is done.

Wayne Trimmer was to begin scraping the high school gym for painting last Thursday. The interior of the building, including the beams will be painted.

Terry Williams was approved as a scout for the high school football team. Williams volunteered to help the short-handed coaching staff.

It was announced by Harrell that the District N.C. School Board Association would meet on Thursday, September 5 at 3:30 p.m. at John A. Holmes High School.



A portrait of the late Harriet Mardre Wainwright is admired by Mr. Irving H. Wainwright, donor of the portrait. The artist is Ammye H. Hill. (Picture Courtesy Meredith magazine.)

Bloodmobile Today

Hertford United Methodist Church
3:00 p.m. - 7:00 p.m.

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